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OUR NEW GUIDE

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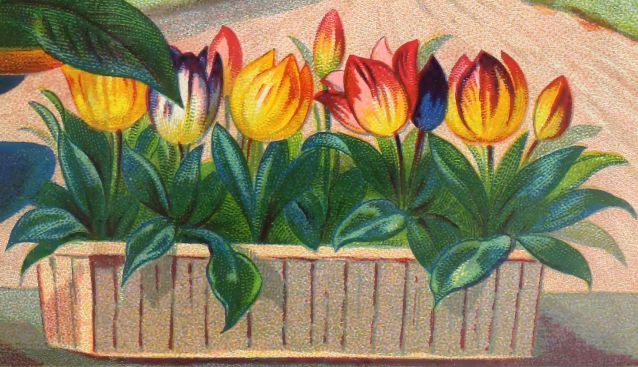
Co. NEW CANNA FLAMINGO.

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EXACT SIZE OF FLOWER.

ROSE
GROWERS

West Grove, Pa.



M. M. WATSON
BROOKLYN, N.Y.

The Best, Brightest and Freest-Blooming Canna Ever Offered.

“Flamingo”

See illustration
on front
cover page.

“FLAMINGO (fla-min/go). A tropical bird of bright color.”—Webster.

Positively the Finest of all Cannas for Winter Blooming.

This peerless pedigree Canna was originated and first introduced by us last year, and now, after thorough tests, professional and amateur flower growers alike agree that it is the grandest thing yet seen in Cannas. This century has been fruitful in bringing forward many triumphs in commercial science, and “FLAMINGO” is justly regarded as one of the crowning triumphs in horticulture. It is impossible to conceive of any flower more striking than “FLAMINGO.” No Canna—in fact, no flower—will compare with it in the exquisite finish, the glorious richness and depth of color, profusion, sureness and wonderful freedom of bloom and

ease of culture. It is the admiration of all who have seen it. As a Winter-blooming flowering pot plant it is imposing and grand. It blooms continuously throughout the entire Winter, but whether grown indoors or under the scorching rays of the Summer sun, it is constantly surmounted with a glowing crimson crown of perfect blooms, whose sparkling brilliancy is all the more intensified by its luxuriant deep-green, tropical-like foliage.

Truly the plumage of the Flamingo bird, after which it is appropriately named, cannot be brighter than the gay, bright flowers of this splendid plant.

• • • • • IT IS A TRUE EVER-BLOOMING CANNA • • • • •

Once established, there is hardly a day when it is without flowers. It rarely grows more than 3 feet in height, and commences to bloom when from 6 to 8 inches from the ground. The individual flowers are large, more than 4 inches across, heavy in texture, and are of the most refined reflexed form (like a *Gladiolus*) so much sought after, and which is found in no other Canna; the petals are nearly 2 inches in diameter. The flowers cluster around the stem in an even manner, giving the truss the grace and finish of a *Hyacinth* spike. The trusses of bloom are borne aloft in a firm yet most graceful man-

ner. The size of truss is enormous, usually measuring a foot in height and 7 to 8 inches in diameter. Two or more side spikes are generally provided, which replace in succession the main truss as soon as its bloom has faded. Imagine a plant crowned with three to six of these splendid spikes, thus presenting an array of gorgeous color, relieved by a background of musa-like foliage, and it will be at once conceded that we have a plant which for decorative value, either for single specimens or massing, is not equaled by any plant now known.

• • • • • DISTINCT IN COLOR • • • • •

The color of the flowers is beautiful beyond description—intense glowing crimson, without a spot or blemish of any kind. Of the many Cannas whose flowers are described as crimson (all of which we have tested) none will compare with “FLAMINGO” in brilliancy, depth and richness; alongside of “FLAMINGO” their color seems tawdry and dull, while in habit of growth and flowering, and form of flower, it is entirely distinct from all others. Many of the older va-

rieties of Cannas are of French origin, but the florists of America have, during the last few years, made the Canna the subject of their skill and now we have gone clear beyond the French productions. “FLAMINGO” is an American Canna, and its lustre is not dimmed under the most critical comparison with any variety, either American or French. It stands out as the most magnificent all-around Canna now in cultivation.

• • • • • A FINE STOCK • • • • •

The price last season was \$1.50 per plant, and, though it seemed rather high, all our available stock was quickly absorbed. Upon putting it at a popular price this year, more than ten thousand plants were taken long before the season was over. Many of our customers were asked to wait two months before their orders could be filled. Now we have prepared for the demand that must surely come for a plant so

fitly adapted for Winter blooming. We have a large stock of fine pot plants, not dry roots, as are usually sent out, and those who plant them will soon be rewarded by a display of brilliant flowers that will give more satisfaction than could possibly be gotten from the same amount invested in other plants or bulbs. Be sure to include it in your order; it is the one plant among all others you don't want to miss getting.

PRICE—Strong plants (not-dry roots), ready for blooming,
40 cts. each; 3 for \$1.00; 10 for \$3.00, postpaid by mail.

The Dingee & Conard Co., Rose Growers, West Grove, Pa.

TO OUR FRIENDS.



DURING a period dating back nearly forty years, when this business was established by the senior member of our Company, Charles Dingee, who is still "at the helm" directing its destinies, we have served the wants of millions of flower-lovers in all parts of the world, and now in presenting this, the **AUTUMN EDITION OF OUR NEW GUIDE FOR 1896**, we are sure it will receive kindly welcome from all those into whose hands it may fall, because honest goods, fair dealing and just prices—which are and always have been the cardinal principles of our business—has brought that happy reward of loyal friendship with the thousands of good folks throughout the United States whom we feel proud to call **OUR FRIENDS**.

We gratefully acknowledge the liberal support accorded us, nor can we forget the kindness that many of our customers have shown in recommending us to their flower-loving friends and neighbors. Truly, "our lines have fallen in pleasant places," and the ever-increasing patronage and confidence reposed in us by the multitude of persons, whose names are legion, causes us to cherish the brightest hopes for the future. That we may still continue to merit the patronage and goodwill of both old and new friends, is our sincere wish.

Permanent success in any business depends upon the integrity of the seller, and the confidence that

the buyer has in him. Therefore, as has always been our policy, we prepare our stock for sale so that it will give unqualified satisfaction, and to do just as we say. In preparing for this season's trade this rule has been more rigidly adhered to than ever before.

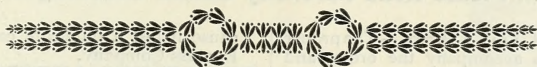
We offer none but the best that can be had, and, notwithstanding the general increase in price of first-class foreign bulbs, we have not advanced our prices, but instead have in many cases reduced them. We depend upon a large sale, and thus hope to make up for the deficiency. We do not attempt to compete with cheap goods and cheap prices. The time will never come when the thinking buyer of flowers will be confused by cheapness.

Our prices are consistent with the quality of the stock offered, and in buying the fear of poor results is not a factor to be considered, for with ordinary care good results are sure to be produced. We will not surrender quality to cheapness. Buying cheap goods is sheer extravagance.

Those who have favored us with orders from previous **AUTUMN GUIDES** will not hesitate to entrust their orders to us. We think we make it to their best interests to do so. We solicit the patronage of all upon an honest, open platform—honest methods, the best goods at just prices, and our careful attention to all orders, whether large or small. Let us ask all our friends to whom this catalogue is sent for at least a small order.

Faithfully yours,

The Dingee & Conard Co., Rose Growers, West Grove, Pa.



THE D. & C. COLLECTION OF PLANTS, BULBS AND SEEDS

FOR
50
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➔ **ORDER AS THE D. & C. COLLECTION.**

For 50 cents we will send by mail, postpaid, the 15 different varieties of plants, bulbs and seeds named below. The increasing number of orders received each Fall, where the selection is left to us, prompts us to make this handsome offer. It is not an easy matter to buy a representative collection of Autumn flowers for so small a sum as 50 cents, but it cannot be denied that we have been remarkably successful in making up this collection, which contains the very choicest Autumn and Winter-flowering plants, bulbs and seeds. The low price places it within the reach of all. Bought separately they would cost over \$1.25. If quality and quantity count for anything, it will be the most popular offer of the season. The collection is made up as follows:

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1 ROSE 1 BERMUDA EASTER LILY 2 FREESIAS, Large Flowering 1 FRITILLARIA | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1 CISSUS DISCOLOR 1 HYACINTH 1 LILY OF THE VALLEY 1 OXALIS | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1 PKT. PANSY SEED 2 CROCUS 2 TULIPS 1 JONQUIL |
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Whether grown in pots or boxes in the house during Winter, or planted in the open ground for early Spring bloom, no class of flowering plants are easier to grow and surer to bloom than those produced from bulbs; the simplest culture being rewarded by vigorous growth and abundant and lovely flowers. The great majority of bulbs and roots we offer at this season, planted in the open ground, are entirely hardy anywhere in the United States, and if desired can be left undisturbed; they will then become naturalized and require no more attention than so much grass, and will increase in size and beauty each year. Nearly all the varieties offered can be grown and flowered in pots or boxes in the house during the Winter months, and for this purpose no flowers can be more accommodating. Whether indoors or out, the quality of soil necessary is not at all important; any good, ordinary soil will do. If there is any choice, however, a light, loamy soil, fertilized with old, thoroughly decomposed manure is best.

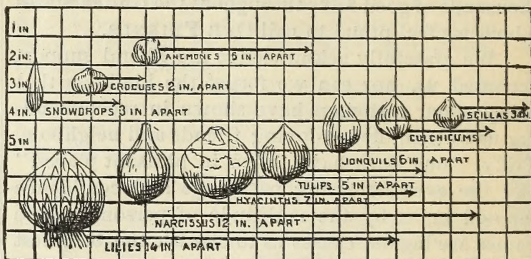
Included with the description of each class are brief cultural directions; but, as the care, use and beauty of flowering plants is such an inexhaustible subject, we invariably wish for more space than our Catalogues can afford. We are therefore glad to announce that the Autumn numbers of our *Floral Monthly*, "SUCCESS WITH FLOWERS," will be especially devoted to the use and culture of all the different classes of bulbs and plants suitable for Autumn planting.

Subscribers whose subscriptions expire with the Fall numbers should be careful to renew promptly, so as to get the full

benefit of the subject. New subscribers, to have the same, should begin their subscription with the September number.

Many timely and instructive articles will appear during the Autumn months treating of the culture of Winter-blooming bulbs and plants indoors. When the reasonable subscription price (30 cents per year in clubs), together with the fourteen splendid bulbs offered free to subscribers, is considered, no one should be without the flower-growers' favorite magazine, "Success with Flowers."

Do not neglect reading the great offer made to "Success" subscribers on page 5—fourteen fine, healthy bulbs, sure to grow and bloom, free with each yearly subscription.



Information for Correspondents

....Please Read Carefully Before Ordering....

OUR PRICES ARE STRICTLY CASH.—The proper remittance must in all cases accompany the order, and should be enclosed with it.

MONEY AT OUR RISK.—All Money sent us by Post-office Money Order on **West Grove P. O., Pa.**, Bank Draft on any city bank, Express Money Order or Registered Letter is at our risk, and we will be responsible for its safe arrival, and will send full value for it in all cases.

POST-OFFICE MONEY ORDERS can now be had at most all Post-offices, and are absolutely safe. If the letter enclosing it is lost, send us the number, date and amount, the office at which it was payable, a list of what you ordered, and we will fill the order at once, and apply for a duplicate of the lost Money Order, which the Government will furnish in such cases.

BANK DRAFTS, drawn on any city bank and made payable to our order, are good and can be had at all banks. If lost, the bank will issue a duplicate.

EXPRESS MONEY ORDERS are one of the cheapest and best ways of sending us money. Perfectly safe, be-

cause if lost a duplicate can be had by applying to the Express Company.

REGISTERED LETTERS.—When you cannot get Money Orders, inclose money—either notes or coin—carefully wrapped, and have it Registered by the Postmaster; the responsibility then is ours.

STAMPS.—Please do not send stamps in payment of goods. Money is much more acceptable, and you can send small amounts (under one dollar) in silver coin, carefully wrapped and sealed, just as safely as stamps and much more conveniently to yourselves and to us.

CANADA.—Friends in Canada can remit by International Postal Order on West Grove P. O., Pa., Bank Draft on New York, or Canadian Currency in Registered Letter.

FREE BY MAIL.—At the prices named in this book we send everything offered by Mail, postpaid; when we ship by Express it is at the purchaser's request and expense.

WE GUARANTEE all orders to arrive safely to any point in the United States, whether sent by Mail or Express; if anything is injured or spoiled in any way before delivery, it will cheerfully be replaced without cost.

NOTWITHSTANDING the marked advances in the prices of Holland and other bulbs, we have not, in a single instance, increased prices. There will be many second grade, inferior bulbs offered for sale this season, but it is well to remember that the first size bulbs is the only grade sure to give satisfaction. All our bulbs are the first size, and the constantly increasing demand shows conclusively that **THE BEST** is the most profitable for our customers, as well as for ourselves. You run no risk in buying the bulbs we offer; they are worth every cent asked for them. There is nothing that insures a permanent patronage more than honest methods. Our success depends upon our ability to please our patrons—their success is ours.

THE ONLY MAGAZINE ENTIRELY DEVOTED TO FLORICULTURE.

SUCCESS WITH FLOWERS.

A Magnificent Flower Premium



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**BULBS
ABSOLUTELY
FREE!**

SUCCESS WITH FLOWERS is a national journal of magazine size, issued monthly, devoted to the interests of floriculture. It is the only strictly floral publication in the world. It is edited with special reference to the needs of amateur flower growers. Each number is brimful of seasonable hints and instructions that are not only helpful, but are as well full of interest to every one who

grows a single flower. It will help all to success with their flowers. The "Answers to Correspondents" department is a feature worth twice the yearly subscription price. It is devoted exclusively to subscribers, and all questions pertaining to flowers and their culture are promptly and carefully answered. This department originated with SUCCESS and has made our magazine famous.

WILL YOU HELP US?

SUCCESS will soon complete the sixth year of its existence. Since its inception over 150,000 subscriptions have been enrolled. Many subscriptions remained unrenewed, and we earnestly request all our friends to renew, and, by getting four neighbors to join in with you, our splendid premium of 20 popular Autumn and Winter-flowering bulbs will be sent free to each subscription at 30 cts. each; the person raising the club has the additional privilege of selecting a premium from the list of splendid specialties given below. Certainly no such offer has been made before by a reputable publication, and were we not heavy buyers

of Fall bulbs, it would be impossible to give such a premium, whose value is not less than 75 cts. Just think of it! All the best bulbs of the season, sure to grow and give a profusion of beautiful flowers, *absolutely free* with every subscription in clubs of five or more. With this liberal inducement we feel at liberty to ask our friends to help us in making SUCCESS WITH FLOWERS the biggest and best magazine of its kind in the world. Will you use the subscription blank enclosed with the catalogue to send a club of five subscribers at 30 cts. each? If you love flowers, you will.

FREE TO EACH SUBSCRIBER.

Every one who subscribes to SUCCESS for one year, in a club of five or more (at 30 cts. each), will receive postpaid and free of all cost the twenty splendid premiums named below. Lack of space prevents us

from giving description, but as most all the bulbs offered are well-known favorites, their value will be none the less appreciated. Descriptions will be found in this catalogue. All the bulbs are Ar, sure to bloom.

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| 1 Hyacinth | 2 Oxalis | 1 Tritelia | 1 Allium | 1 Ixia |
| 2 Crocus | 1 Snowdrop | 2 Iris | 1 Jonquil | 1 Pkt. Seed Winter Bloom- |
| 1 Scilla | 3 Freesias | 2 Tulips | 1 Brodiaea | ing Morning Glory |

All premiums will be sent, postpaid, to the club raiser for distribution.

FREE TO THE CLUB RAISER.

For every club of five subscribers, new or old, to SUCCESS WITH FLOWERS, at 30c. each (which sum includes all the premium flowers named above),

the club raiser may select any one of the following splendid bulbs or plants in quantity named, which will be sent by mail, postpaid:

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| 2 Giant White Narcissus | 4 Named Tulips | 12 Mixed Crocus |
| 1 Scilla Clusii | 1 Black Calla | 1 Sanseveria Zealanica |
| 1 Little Beauty Fuchsia | 1 American Beauty Rose | 1 Palm |
| 2 Named Hyacinths | 4 Roman Hyacinths | 1 Abutilon |
| 1 Bermuda Easter Lily | 1 Otahite Orange | 1 Lilium Auratum |
| 1 Chinese Sacred Lily | 1 Little Gem Calla | |

Yearly Subscription Terms to "Success with Flowers."

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| Single subscriptions, without premiums | 25 cts. each |
| Single subscriptions, with premiums | 40 cts. each |
| Subscriptions in clubs of five or more, with premiums to each subscriber, | 30c. each |

First look at the flowers of value, many of them novelties, offered free to the club raiser, then show the offer of twenty of the finest bulbs, free to each subscriber, to your neighbors, and surely they will be glad to subscribe. Thus you can secure a boxful of

the choicest Winter flowers—a whole collection—without trouble. WHY NOT THEN RAISE A CLUB? Sample copies and additional information free upon application.

Address

THE DINGEE & CONARD COMPANY, WEST GROVE, PA.



....Our Beautiful New Crimson Pedigree Rose....

❁ "Princess Bonnie"

**SWEETER THAN "LA FRANCE."
BLOOMS ALL THE TIME.**

The Best for Winter Blooming.

THE brightest, sweetest and freest blooming Rose in existence. Such is "Princess Bonnie." Color solid crimson, deeper and more vivid than "Jack." Fragrance far sweeter than "La France." Produces more perfect flowers than "Clotilde Soupert," the most prolific of all Roses. For beauty and exquisite fragrance it is positively not equaled by any Rose we know, while for continuity of bloom and vigorous, healthy growth—whether planted indoors or in open ground—it even surpasses a Geranium. For Winter blooming it has no equal. It is the most popular Rose in our list of over seven hundred varieties. If you must confine yourself to one Rose, let it be "Princess Bonnie." It will please you beyond measure. We offer strong, blooming plants from 3-inch pots, and a limited number of larger plants.

We regard it as the finest Rose ever sent out. Its parentage alone is sufficient guarantee of its great excellence. It is the result of a cross between "Bon Silene" and "William Francis Bennett," two favorites of remarkable merit. It inherits in the full the fragrance and beauty of "Bennett," and the freedom of bloom and vigorous growth of "Bon Silene." Every shoot produces several perfect flowers, which frequently come in bouquet-like clusters of seven and eight. It blooms all the time, even surpassing "Clotilde Soupert," both indoors and in open ground. The flowers are borne on long, stiff stems, and have the "Bennett" form; they are large, semi-double, and in bud surpass any Rose we know. In foliage it shows the "Bon Silene" blood—large, of good substance and

free from all forms of disease which usually attack "Bennett" foliage. Of the color a prominent grower writes: "It is certainly charming." The outside petals are rich, solid crimson, deeper than "Bennett" and more vivid than "Jack," while the inner side of the centre ones, at the base, is streaked with white. In fragrance it is perhaps the most remarkable Rose yet introduced. The fragrance is rich and subtle; not the pungent odor of a Hybrid Perpetual, but rather a delicate, refined scent, so peculiarly its own that if it did not produce a single crop of flowers a year its fragrance alone would entitle it to a place among the Roses of distinction. It is perfectly hardy in open ground; it is the only hardy ever-blooming crimson Tea Rose. We look upon it as a wonderful Rose.

**Strong, 3-inch pot plants, ready for immediate blooming, 25 cts. each;
3 for 60 cts.; 5 for \$1.00; 10 for \$1.75, postpaid by mail.**



One of the most superb Lilies known, and one of the finest varieties in existence for house decoration, and should be included in every collection. The plant, while in full bloom, is lovely beyond description; it is of neat and graceful habit; the flowers are pure white and delightfully perfumed. As a window plant it is unexcelled and decidedly effective. In cultivating the Easter Lily none should anticipate failure if the directions given below are adhered to, as the plant is a vigorous grower with ordinary attention.

Cultivation.

In order to get the best effects a rich soil is required; this can usually be obtained in the yard or garden. The pot or box to be used should be not less than six inches in depth; place about two inches of broken crockery or coal cinders at the bottom in order to secure free drainage; fill loosely with soil to the top and, after planting the bulb, water moderately and put away in a cool place until the roots begin to form, when it should be transferred to the sitting-room and given a warm and light exposure.

They should flower in about three months from the time of planting.

This Lily may be planted outside, and is hardy in the Southern States, and will survive the northern Winters if protected with a covering of leaves or other litter. The bulbs that we offer are the true Bermuda Easter Lily (*Lilium Harrisii*), and are of the best.



Smaller and inferior bulbs can be purchased at a much less price; such bulbs are almost worthless, as they produce few flowers. We prize the customer's satisfaction, and therefore secured only large, healthy bulbs—the different sizes are the finest we have ever sent out; they will quickly make a vigorous growth and are sure to give an abundance of bloom. We can unqualifiedly recommend them to give absolute satisfaction.

Our importation of Harrisii is particularly fine this year. QUALITY the BEST. Prices greatly reduced.

Large Bulbs, popular size,	15c. each; 3 for 30c.; \$1.10 per doz.
Extra Large Bulbs, will produce 8 to 12 flowers,	20c. each; 3 for 50c.; \$1.85 per doz.
Bulbs of Enormous Size,	30c. each; 4 for \$1.00; \$2.75 per doz.

Nothing You can Plant will give Better Satisfaction or more Pleasure than the Beautiful Easter Lily.

Extra *Lilium Candidum*.

We have imported from France a superb lot of *Lilium Candidum*, which were especially grown and prepared for Winter blooming in pots. The bulbs are of enormous size, and will throw up strong stalks crowned with a profusion of pure waxy white Lilies; exquisitely sweet. Give the same culture as is recommended for *Lilium Harrisii*. By mail, postpaid, 25 cts. each; 3 for 60 cts.; 5 for \$1.

Lilium Pardalium.

LEOPARD SPOTTED.

A very beautiful and handsome Lily from California; entirely hardy; grows 3 to 5 feet high; very free flowering; color bright orange red, with lighter orange centre; large clusters of flowers, that look very beautiful and striking. 15 cts. each; 3 for 40 cts.; 6 for 75 cts.

The prices given include the Postage, which we pay.

The Best Hyacinths



It is not often that one family of flowers are invested with so many charming qualities as are Hyacinths. Nature must have conceived these lovely flowers in one of her most gracious moods. It may be truthfully said of them that for massive, yet graceful beauty, superb finish of flower and indescribable fragrance they are unequaled by any flower. Those who have grown them know that this strong endorsement is merited in every particular.

They are easily grown, and with the splendid bulbs we offer for the season of '95 no one need fear disappointing results, whether grown indoors or planted in open ground. Every one should include a few Hyacinths with their

order. Nothing we offer will give more genuine satisfaction. Our assortment is not large, but it contains the best varieties of distinct colors, and at the same time those that are highly recommended by our Holland

bulb grower, especially for home planting.

IMPORTANT NOTICE.

Our customers will find that our prices are extremely low, the character of the stock offered considered. They are based on first-class, well-ripened bulbs of the first or largest size. This is the only size we offer, and the only kind we recommend to give unqualified satisfaction. Second size bulbs of weak vitality can be purchased much cheaper, but it is well to remember that economy in prices means economy in quality and results, with a decided uncertainty of the latter not materializing at all. This important fact borne in mind, and also that no extra price per bulb is charged for postage—at prices named goods being sent postpaid—we feel at liberty to appeal with entire confidence to all our friends for their orders, on

the ground that no superior advantages as regards prices and quality of stock can be obtained elsewhere.

SINGLE NAMED VARIETIES.

Amy.—Large truss of brilliant carmine, blending into lighter shades of red; one of the best varieties. 10c. each.

Baron Van Thuyll, White.—Large sand-white trusses; early. 12 cts. each.

Baron Van Thuyll, Blue.—One of the best. 12c. each.

Chas. Dickens.—Large bells with lilac centre, blending into a darker blue, sometimes slightly tinged red. 12c. each.

Czar Peter.—Distinct and beautiful; light, porcelain-shaded lavender; grand spike. 12 cts. each.

Gertrude.—Fine large spikes of a distinct shade of lilac-pink, turning to silvery rose; striped carmine. 12 cts. each.

Gigantea.—Probably the largest flowered variety grown; spike tall, with large bells; compact; clear rose color. 12c. each.

Hermann.—Beautiful orange yellow, in fine contrast with darker varieties; one of the best for its color. 15 cts. each.

Ida.—Pure yellows are scarce; recommended as the best by our Holland grower; bright glowing yellow, large trusses. 15c.

King of the Blues.—Finest blue; color rich, dark, splendid; extra large truss. (See illustration of single spike.) 12c.

La Pluie d'Or.—Beautiful shade of pale yellow. 12c. each.

L'Unique.—A splendid variety; blooms early; color violet purple. 12 cts. each.

La Grandesse.—Conceded to be the finest white; compact spike, and large bells of the purest waxy whiteness. 15c.

Satella.—Deep red, large and attractive. 12 cts. each.

Special Offer.—The Complete Set of 14 Best Single Hyacinths for \$1.10.

MIXTURES.

Single Hyacinths—Pure White.—Grand spikes of bloom; very popular color. *By Mail, postpaid*, 10 cts. each; 3 for 25 cts.; 12 for 75 cts.; 100 for \$6.

Single Hyacinths—Red and Blush.—Lovely waxy effect in color, the clear red or delicate colors showing almost transparent. *By Mail, postpaid*, 10 cts. each; 3 for 25 cts.; 12 for 75 cts.; 100 for \$6.

Single Hyacinths—Blue Shades.—Very distinct and striking, some being almost black. *By Mail, postpaid*, 10 cts. each; 3 for 25 cts.; 12 for 75 cts.; 100 for \$5.50.

Single Hyacinths—Yellow Shades.—The Yellows are the most distinct of all. *By Mail, postpaid*, 10 cts. each; 3 for 25 cts.; 12 for 75 cts.; 100 for \$6.

Single Hyacinths—All Colors Mixed.—The best mixture of sound, well-matured Hyacinths; a full range of color. *By Mail, postpaid*, 8 cts. each; 3 for 20 cts.; 6 for 35 cts.; 12 for 60 cts. *By Express*, 100 for \$4.50.

SPECIAL OFFER.—For 50 cts. we will forward, postpaid by Mail to any address in the United States, Canada or Mexico, the "D. & C. Collection," 15 varieties of bulbs and seeds, as named on page 3. Please order as the "D. & C. Collection."

The prices given include the Postage, which we pay.

✂ DIRECTIONS FOR CULTURE ✂

Hyacinths in Pots.

If intended for house or conservatory, the bulbs may be potted any time from September until December. 6 to 8-inch pots may be used; pots of this size will accommodate two or three bulbs, and by combining different colors the most charming effects may be obtained. The soil should consist of a mixture of loam, sand and well-rotted cow manure. Plant the bulbs, leaving a small portion of the top exposed, water thoroughly and put away in a dark, cool cellar until rooted and growth commences, when they should be given a favorable exposure to light and heat. In order to have them in bloom during the holidays, they should be potted early in September, and to have a succession of bloom plant at intervals of about two weeks. Hyacinths in glasses should receive much the same treatment. The single varieties are to be preferred. The bulbs should be placed in glasses filled with clean water during the months of September, October and November, and consigned to a dark, cool cellar and allowed to remain until the glass is pretty well filled with roots and fibre, after which they should be transferred to a warm situation and given as much light and sun as possible. The water should be renewed from time to time and not permitted to become impure. To do this, remove the bulbs and roots entire, rinse the glass thoroughly and refill with fresh water.

Hyacinths in the Open Ground.

Select, if possible, a warm, sunny location for the beds. A rich, light, loamy soil is to be preferred. If necessary to fertilize, well-rotted stable manure is the best for the purpose. Spade to the depth of 12 inches and mellow the soil thoroughly; place the bulbs about 5 inches below the surface and 6 to 7 inches apart. Planting is usually done during the months of September, October and November; October is to be preferred. The Hyacinth is hardy, and therefore does not require Winter protection; it is easy to cultivate and requires little care or attention.

BEAR IN MIND THAT THE BULBS WE OFFER
ARE OF THE FIRST OR LARGEST SIZE.....

Double Named Hyacinths.

Bloksberg. —Bright porcelain striped, large truss; exceedingly fine and rare, one of the most attractive	Each. \$0 12
Bouquet Tendre. —Flowers medium-sized, semi-double, firm and compact; color, carmine rose	10
Bouquet Royale. —Royal in every sense; large truss; color, delicate shade of rose with dark centre	12
La Tour d'Auvergne. —One of the best, if not the best, pure white Hyacinths in cultivation. Produces full buds, long spikes; very fine	12
Noble Par Merite. —The finest early red; extra large spikes; rosy red	11
Goethe. —A pretty variety; fine bells, light yellow	12
La Virginite. —Medium-sized spike, large drooping bells of white, delicately blending to blush	10
Othello. —Well represents the famous character whose name it bears; flowers large and double, nearly black in color; grand and striking in appearance	15
Pure d'Or. —The best bright golden yellow, fine large spike; should be included in every collection	20
SPECIAL OFFER. —The Complete Set of 9 The Best Double Hyacinths offered above for \$1.10, postpaid.	

MIXTURES.

Double Hyacinths—Pure White.—Stout stalks, producing magnificent compact trusses of double waxy flowers. *By Mail, postpaid,* 10 cts. each; 3 for 25 cts.; 12 for 75 cts.; 100 for \$5.50.

Double Hyacinths—Red and Blush.—The color shows extremely clear and rich in the perfect double flowers. *By Mail, postpaid,* 10 cts. each; 3 for 25 cts.; 12 for 75 cts.; 100 for \$5.50.

Double Hyacinths—Blue Shades.—Enormous trusses of rich, strikingly clear double flowers. *By Mail, postpaid,* 10 cts. each; 3 for 25 cts.; 12 for 75 cts.; 100 for \$5.50.

Double Hyacinths—Yellow Shades.—Very distinct, rare and lovely. *By Mail, postpaid,* 10 cts. each; 3 for 25 cts.; 12 for \$1; 100 for \$7.

Double Hyacinths—All Colors Mixed.—The best mixture of sound, well-matured Hyacinths, and full range of colors. *By Mail, postpaid,* 10 cts. each; 3 for 25 cts.; 12 for 75 cts.; 100 for \$5.50. *By Express,* 100 for \$5.00.



DOUBLE HYACINTHS.

The Prices given include the Postage, which we pay.



SINGLE TULIPS

✧ The Choicest Single Early Tulips ✧

Whether grown indoors or planted in open ground, Tulips are magnificent in their dazzling beauty. When arranged in masses in the garden or on the lawn, their wealth of brilliant color makes them an object of striking beauty, and in this one respect they perhaps even surpass Hyacinths. Their bright flowers lend an air of cheerfulness to their surroundings, and, being so inexpensive, one's collection of bulbs is incomplete without them.

The bulbs are entirely hardy, and may be utilized either for house or outdoor culture with entire certainty as to results of the most gratifying nature. The same method of culture in detail prescribed for the Hyacinth will suffice for the Tulip. After the blooming period has elapsed, and when the bulbs have sufficiently ripened, as indicated by the yellowish appearance of the stem, they may be taken up, cleaned, dried off, placed in paper bags and stored in a cool, dry place, and replanted again in the Fall. The single early sorts are the best for pot culture for the house or conservatory.

In the selection of the different sorts herein offered we have studied to please, and feel that they are absolutely the best, both as regards quality and variety.

	Each.	Three.	Per Doz.
Belle Alliance.—Rich scarlet . . .	\$0 03	\$0 08	\$0 30
Chrysalora.—The best of all the yellows; clear, rich golden yellow; large and beautiful flowers . . .	4	10	35
Oottage Maid.—Superb; carmine pink; centre of petals feathered white, base yellow . . .	5	12	40
DUC VAN THOL.—Carmine . . .	4	10	35
" " " Scarlet . . .	4	10	35
" " " White . . .	4	10	35
" " " Yellow . . .	4	10	35
Keizerskroon.—Red, gold and yellow . . .	4	10	35
Pottebakker.—Pure Yellow . . .	4	10	35
" Scarlet Verboom . . .	4	10	35
" White . . .	4	10	35

	Each.	Three.	Per Doz.
Prosperpine.—Rich silky rose . . .	\$0 06	\$0 15	\$0 55
Yellow Prince.—One of the best yellows, . . .	4	10	40
Vermilion.—Brilliant, bright scarlet . . .	5	12	40
La Reine.—Pure white . . .	3	8	30

The Set of 15 Tulips above, postpaid, for 50 cts.;

3 of each, 45 in all, \$1.25.

Early Single Tulips.

THE BEST VARIETIES MIXED.

A complete mixture of all the best varieties of Single Tulips, price by Mail, postpaid, 3 for 10 cts.; 12 for 30 cts.; 25 for 60 cts.; 50 for \$1.10; 100 for \$2. Price by Express, 25 for 50 cts.; 100 for \$1.50; 1000 for \$12.

YOUR COLLECTION will not be complete without PRINCESS BONNIE ROSE and FLAMINGO CANNA.

The Prices given include the Postage, which we pay.



The Best Double Early Tulips.

While somewhat inferior to the Single Tulips in brilliancy of colors, the bloom of the Double Varieties is more lasting, their freshness and attractiveness being retained for a much longer period. This feature is the principal quality in their favor.

Each. Three. Per Doz.

Salvator Rosa.—Best of all pink Tulips	\$0 06	\$0 15	\$0 55
Scarlet King.—Deep, rich, glowing.	3	8	30
Duke of York.—Rose, bordered with white	3	8	30
Gloria Solis.—Crimson, bronze, with yellow	3	8	30
La Candeur.—One of the best whites,	4	10	35
Murillo.—Beautiful light rose	6	15	55
Rex Rubrorum.—Deep scarlet	6	15	55

The Set of 10 Double Early Tulips, postpaid, for 40 cts.; 3 of each, 30 in all, \$1.10.

Each. Three. Per Doz.

Tournesol.—Clear red, bordered yellow,	\$0 05	\$0 12	\$0 40
“ Handsome orange yellow,	7	20	60
Duc Van Tholl.—Red and yellow	3	8	30

THE BEST VARIETIES MIXED.

A complete mixture of all the best double varieties of Tulips, price by Mail, postpaid, 3 for 10 cts.; 12 for 30 cts.; 25 for 60 cts.; 50 for \$1.10; 100 for \$2. Price by Express, 25 for 50 cts.; 100 for \$1.50; 1000 for \$12.

Double • Late • Flowering • Tulips

Each. Three. Per Doz.

Abbas.—Very handsome orange red,	\$0 04	\$0 10	\$0 35
Blue Flag.—A distinct variety; purplish blue	4	10	35
Gloria Mundi.—Brown, crimson and yellow; handsome and distinct	5	12	40

The Set of 6 Double Late Flowering Tulips, postpaid, for 20 cts.; 3 of each, 18 in all, 55 cts.

Each. Three. Per Doz.

Pæony Gold.—Gold, yellow and red, magnificent double flowers	\$0 04	\$0 10	\$0 35
Pæony Red.—Superb flowers; deep red.	4	10	35
Yellow Rose.—Very fine striped foliage,	3	8	30

Double Late Flowering Tulips Mixed.—A fine mixture, valuable for flowering after earlier varieties, and for planting among shrubbery and in odd corners. Price by Mail, postpaid, 3 for 10 cts.; 12 for 30 cts.; 25 for 60 cts.; 50 for \$1.10; 100 for \$2. By Express, 25 for 50 cts.; 100 for \$1.50; 1000 for \$12.

SPECIAL ATTENTION is called to the important facts that our prices have been greatly reduced, and all the bulbs we offer are the first or largest size, and are far superior to the second size bulbs that are offered. We confidently expect an increase in trade because we make inducements not given elsewhere, and, therefore, deserve it.

The Prices given include the Postage, which we pay.



Narcissus, The Daffodils of Spring.

"When Daffodils begin to peer—
With hey! the doxy over the dale—
Why, then comes in the sweet o' the year,
For the red blood reigns in the Winter's pale."

SO many glowing compliments have been paid this charming old-fashioned beauty of the garden by the bards and romancers of other days that, instead of attempting to extol her many graces, we shall rest content by applying the observation of Traddles, "She is one of the dearest girls."

The Narcissus is most desirable for house or garden culture, and should be treated in the same manner recommended for the Hyacinth. Three or four bulbs may be grown in a single pot. In the garden they may be planted in any out-of-the-way place, where they will continue to thrive and bloom year after year without any care or attention, and will be among the first to respond to the fitful blandishments of early Spring.

The family is an extensive one and remarkable for its novel diversity of types and colors, in the selection of which our efforts have been to secure the finest specimens.

We Offer First Quality Bulbs, Sure to Bloom.

Ard Righ (*Irish King*).—Golden yellow, very early, and useful for cutting; give a trial (see cut). 20 cts. each; 3 for 50 cts.

Horsfieldi.—The "Garden's Story" says: "Can any Daffodil born or yet unborn excel the glorious bicolor of the Lancashire weaver, John Horsfield? The flowers exhale a rich Magnolia-like odor; each flutters its pure white perianth and great golden corona over the luxurious foliage like some gorgeous butterfly, rather than a perfumed flower." 20 cts. each; 3 for 50 cts.

Maximus or "**Vase of Beaten Gold**" (see cut).—Immense trumpet-shaped flowers of deepest, richest yellow. A lovely sort and very showy. 10 cts. each; 3 for 25 cts.

Pseudo, or **Lent Lily**.—A lovely variety, sulphur-white perianth, with light-yellow cup. 6 cts. each; 6 for 30 cts.; 12 for 55 cts.

Von Zion (*Telamonius Plenus*) (see cut).—This is the grand old "Double" yellow Daffodil, and should be in every garden; fine for massing, also one of the very best for house culture in pots; large, double yellow trumpet flowers. 7 cts. each; 3 for 20 cts.; 6 for 40 cts.; 12 for 60 cts.

Trumpet Major (see cut).—Splendid deep golden flowers; very early, free flowering, grand for cut flowers; try a

half dozen in a six-inch pot. 6 cts. each; 6 for 30 cts.; 12 for 60 cts.

Pallidus Præcox.—Sulphur-white perianth and trumpet, one of the earliest; fine plump bulbs sure to flower well. 7 cts. each; 3 for 20 cts.; 6 for 40 cts.; 12 for 70 cts.

Narcissus Mixed.—A superb mixture of all sorts, Double, Single, etc. 6 for 30 cts.; 50 cts. per doz.

The Set of 7 named Narcissus, postpaid, for 60 cts.

« Narcissus Incomparabilis »

Leedsi.—Pure white perianth; cup lemon, passing to white; choice for bouquets. 7 cts. each; 3 for 20 cts.; 6 for 40 cts.; 12 for 70 cts.

Orange Phoenix (*Eggs and Bacon*) (see cut).—Very handsome, double white flowers, with orange nectary. 8 cts. each; 4 for 30 cts.; 12 for 75 cts.

Stella.—A really beautiful variety; large white perianth, with golden-yellow cup, star-shaped; one of the most popular for pot culture. 6 cts. each; 6 for 30 cts.; 12 for 50 cts.

Sir Watkin (*The Giant Welshman*) (see cut).—Large, perianth rich sulphur yellow, orange-tinged trumpet; new and valuable; very fine. 30 cts. each; 4 for \$1.00; 12 for \$2.75. *Set of 4 Narcissus named above 45 cts.*

In comparing our prices with others, remember that the bulbs we offer are first quality, and are far superior to the second-grade bulbs, which are sold much cheaper, as they are a year younger, consequently lack vitality and blooming capacity. All our bulbs are warranted to give splendid results under ordinary cultivation.

The Prices given include the Postage, which we pay.



DOUBLE ROMAN.

Polyanthus Narcissus

TOTUS ALBUS GRANDIFLORUS.

Narcissus Corbularia

POLYANTHUS NARCISSUS have come to the front as popular and satisfactory flowers for pot culture in Winter. They are of the easiest culture and can be potted any time from October to January. Light, loamy soil can be used, as the bulbs require little or no fertilizing material. Several bulbs can be grown in a large pot or box, and, as will be seen by our engraving, the effect is extremely lovely and graceful. To secure good drainage, cover the bottom of the pot or box with broken crockery, sand or pebbles; fill with soil to within 3 inches of the top, then set up the bulbs and cover them loosely with $1\frac{1}{2}$ to 2 inches of soil; water well and place in a cool, dry cellar or similar place. They will need no other attention except an occasional look to see they are not getting too dry. When the first shoot appears bring into full light, moderate temperature and moisture, and they will grow famously and delight all with their lovely flowers.

We offer the choicest varieties; first quality bulbs, sure to bloom.

Double Roman.—This superb Polyanthus Narcissus is perfectly double, as shown in our illustration, and is very large; the color is clear white, with small inner petals of pure yellow; an early and very profuse bloomer; delicious fragrance. 6 cts. each; 5 for 25 cts.; 12 for 50 cts.

Early Paper White.—Lovely clusters of snow-white flowers; enormous quantities of this variety are annually forced for cut flowers. 5 cts. each; 6 for 25 cts.; 12 for 45 cts.

Totus Albus Grandiflorus, or Improved Paper White.—(See cut.) This is a new variety of marked merit. The flowers are the purest white, very large, fragrant and are produced in beautiful clusters. It is the earliest of all, being in bloom by Christmas. 8 cts. each; 3 for 20 cts.; 6 for 35 cts.; 12 for 60 cts.

True White Pearl, or Louis Le Grande.—Exquisite satiny-white flowers, with primrose cups. 10c. each; 6 for 50c.

Gloriosus.—Splendid trusses of pure white, with deep orange-colored cups; very fine. 8 cts. each; 6 for 40 cts.

Grand Primo.—White, with citron cup; early. 8 cts. each; 3 for 20 cts.; 6 for 35 cts.; 12 for 60 cts.

Grand Soliel d'Or.—Deep yellow, with reddish-orange cup. 8 cts. each; 3 for 20 cts.; 6 for 35 cts.

Set of 7 named varieties, postpaid, 45 cts.

Polyanthus Narcissus, Mixed

We offer a fine selection of choice Polyanthus Narcissus mixed together, and make the very lowest prices for large, heavy bulbs of the first size. They are perfectly hardy and cannot be excelled for bedding or massing. 6 cts. each; 5 for 25 cts.; 12 for 50 cts.; 25 for \$1.

The Prices given include the Postage, which we pay.



NARCISSUS CORBULARIA.

On page 6 our grand new Pedigree Rose, "**Princess Bonnie**," is described and illustrated. It is the brightest, sweetest and freest blooming Rose in cultivation. Unexcelled for Winter bloom.

Bulbs • for • Indoor • Culture.

The Bulbs offered on pages 14 to 22 inclusive are specially desirable for indoor culture, and are not suitable for planting in open ground until all danger of frost is past, except where noted in descriptions.

Arum Sanctum.

THE TRUE BLACK CALLA OR SOLOMON'S LILY.

A native of the Holy Land, and truly a magnificent and stately plant, very desirable for indoor culture. The flowers of this rare bulb are sweet-scented and often measure more than a foot in length by 5 to 8 inches in width; the inside color is of the richest velvety purplish black, while the outside is a pleasing green. The centre spadix rises to the height of 10 to 12 inches and is of the deepest black. Foliage is solid in texture, rich deep green and elegantly reticulated. The bulbs we shall send you are the genuine stock, strong and positively sure to bloom if planted in rich soil 2 inches below the surface and given plenty of light, heat and moisture. Every order should include at least one bulb of this great Oriental novelty, for there can be no doubt that it is one of the rarest and most desirable bulbs of the year. As the bulbs increase in size and number every year, such a treasure is sure to become valued and appreciated. We make the price exceedingly low and within the reach of all. 20 cts. each; 3 for 50 cts.; 7 for \$1.00.



Fritillaria recurva.

This singularly beautiful plant has attracted widespread attention, owing to the striking beauty of the flowers and its ease of culture. We know of nothing like it; the habit of growth is lily-like; the numerous large pendant bell-shaped flowers are borne profusely on stems 6 to 10 inches high. The color is clear scarlet, marked with jet black. As a pot plant the effect is extremely showy; it is as beautiful as any lily, the profusion of flowers is remarkable; it is perfectly hardy in the open ground, but to be seen at its best it should be grown indoors in pots or boxes. The cultivation in pots for Winter blooming is very simple. It requires about the same treatment as the Bermuda Easter Lily. Care should be taken, however, not to give too much water when about to flower and while in flower. We have secured a fine lot of bulbs for sale this season, and make the price within the reach of all. 10 cts. each; 3 for 25 cts.; 7 for 50 cts.; 75 cts. per dozen.

Fritillaria Pluriflora.

This rare species has long been considered mythical, until very recently, when our collector secured a fine supply of it. It is the genuine variety, a sure, profuse bloomer, easily grown, and altogether one of the best bulbs offered in this book. The flowers are large, and of a clear reddish purple color. No better pot plant can be had. Price, 20 cts. each; 3 for 50 cts.; 7 for 1.00 cts.

Ornithogalum Arabicum.

A Splendid Winter-Flowering Bulb. Sure to bloom.

This magnificent new Winter-blooming bulb from Arabia gives great satisfaction. The bulbs are large and solid, somewhat resembling Hyacinths; the leaves are long, narrow and graceful; flower stalks are thrown up to a height of 18 or 20 inches, and produce immense clusters of pearly-white flowers, each having a jet-black centre. This distinct character, together with the durability of the flowers, makes this grand novelty the best Winter bloomer now offered. Bulbs can be planted in 4-inch pots, and given the same culture as Hyacinths. If planted in open ground, they should be given slight protection. Price of large bulbs, sure to bloom, 10 cts. each; 3 for 25 cts.; 12 for 90 cts.

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California Honeysuckle.

Our illustration is the best description of this remarkable flower. This variety was found in the mountains of California, hence its popular name. It is entirely suitable for growing in pots in the house in manner shown, and requires no special culture. The flowers are a beautiful rose color, and are borne in dense numbers, a single bulb producing 15 to 30 umbels; the twining scape is often over 10 feet long, and does best when twined in and about as shown in picture. A remarkable novelty. 15 cts. each; 3 for 35 cts.



New Canna "Flamingo."

One of the floral treasures you don't want to miss. It blooms continually, and makes a magnificent plant for Winter window culture. See second cover page.



SCILLA CLUSII.

Scilla Clusii.

PERUVIAN HYACINTH OR CUBAN LILY.

To our mind this is one of the most beautiful bulbous plants we have ever seen. Heretofore it has been but little known, but after a trial its ease of culture and superb beauty induces us to bring it before our customers in a prominent manner. No bulb will give more complete satisfaction. European growers recommend it as the grandest of all Winter-blooming bulbs for house culture. The flowers are star shaped and are borne in one enormous cluster. The color is distinct and striking, rich dark blue. It commences to bloom about Midwinter in pots and remains in flower a long time. If planted in open ground protection should be given the bulb. Grow it as you would a Hyacinth. We have procured a large stock of first-size bulbs, sure to bloom, and are thus enabled to offer them at one-half the usual price. 15 cts. each; 3 for 35 cts.

Pretty Face.

This is the popular European name of *Calliprora Lutea*. The proper name comes from *Kallos*, beauty, and *prora*, a front, referring to a front view of the flowers; seen in the light they present an exceedingly pretty appearance; fine golden, touched with purplish brown, banded with green; grows about 9 inches high, neat habit, free flowering; subject to the simplest culture; grows well in pot with other flowers; always looks charming. At the low price should be in every order. 5 cts. each; 3 for 12c.; 5 for 20c.



PRETTY FACE

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Babianas.

These unusually pretty and attractive flowers should be better known; no illustration short of a colored plate could do justice to the remarkably beautiful shadings and variegations shown in Babiana flowers; should be given the same treatment as *Ixias*; especially adapted for Winter blooming.

Atrocyanæa.—Deep blue, lower petals purple and mauve. 5 cts.; 3 for 12 cts.

Lady Carey.—Rich purplish crimson, with each alternate petal shaded mauve. 10 cts.; 3 for 25 cts.

Rosea Grandis.—Color, bright rose. 5c.; 3 for 12c.

Villosa.—Exquisite lavender blue. 5 cts.; 3 for 12c.

Babianas, Finest Mixture.—Embracing a large number of distinct varieties. 3 cts. each; 3 for 8 cts.; 6 for 15 cts.; 12 for 30 cts.



BABIANAS.



ALLIUM NEAPOLITANUM.

Allium Neapolitanum.

This beautiful variety gives the greatest satisfaction, both for growing in pots and boxes in the house, or planted in the flower beds for early Spring flowers. It is, however, specially valuable for Winter blooming, being sure to flower splendidly in any window. The large clusters of delicate white flowers have a distinct beauty of their own; they remain perfect for weeks, and for floral work are unsurpassed. Plant three to five bulbs in a five-inch pot or box and you will have a lovely display. 3 cts. each; 5 for 10 cts.; 12 for 20 cts.

Allium Azureum.—A rare sort, very little known in this country; the most beautiful shade of azure blue imaginable. A rare and valuable variety. 20 cts. each.

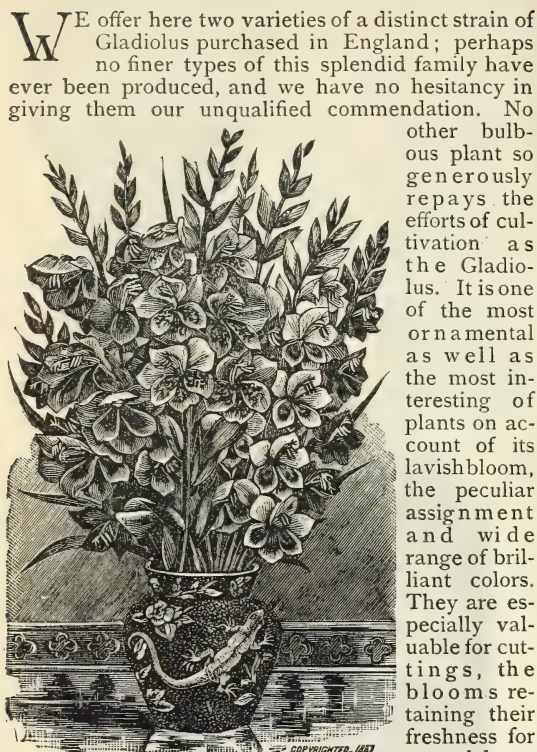
Allium Moly.—This pretty gem should be better known; in fine contrast to the above-named sorts; a profusion of flowers of clear golden yellow. 3 cts. each; 5 for 10 cts.; 12 for 20 cts.

Eucharis Amazonica.

A rare bulbous plant which throws up tall flower scapes, bearing large, snowy white, star-like blossoms of great beauty and delicious fragrance. It is a plant which is very scarce, and highly prized by those who possess it. Fine flowering plants, 40 cts. each.

Superb · Gladiolus.

Early-Flowering-Varieties.



EARLY FLOWERING GLADIOLUS.

than other flowers. They are also desirable for the window garden, in which situation they are very effective. As many as 6 to 8 bulbs may be grown in a 12-inch pot. The soil used should be a mixture of loam and sand, no fertilizer being necessary; a warm temperature and a sunny window are essential in order to obtain the best results.

Blushing Bride.—Lovely white, with beautiful pink and carmine flakes on lower petals; a splendid variety for pot culture or open border. 20 cts. each; 3 for 50 cts.; 6 for 90 cts.; larger bulbs, 25 cts. each; 3 for 60 cts.; 6 for \$1.

Tristis.—Creamy white flowers, borne on branching spikes; the blooms are delightfully scented and highly prized for cuttings; a fine variety for house or border culture. 15 cts. each; 3 for 40 cts.; 6 for 90 cts.

The Blue Milla.

This remarkable and lovely flower will attract instant attention, as being in vivid contrast with the well-known and popular *Milla Biflora*, whose waxy-white flowers find a deep shining blue counterpart in this new variety. The Blue Milla is of the easiest culture, and a few bulbs in a small pot will prove a great novelty and attraction; it will also grow well in the same pot with other flowers, making a lovely contrast. The plants grow about 15 inches high, and produce rich, blue, star-shaped flowers in profusion at the end of long graceful stems. 10 cts. each; 3 for 25 cts.; 6 for 50 cts.

In comparing our prices with others remember that the bulbs we offer are the first or largest size, and far superior to the second-grade bulbs frequently offered.

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IXIAS.

We take great pleasure in recommending this brilliant class of flowers; they are but little known in this country, and will be sure to give great satisfaction. Ixias are the star-shaped flowers here illustrated, and are admirably adapted for pot culture in the house; several bulbs can be placed in a five-inch pot or pan. They should, unlike other bulbs, be potted rather firmly, and as early as possible; placed in a dry, cool place like Hyacinths; until the flower spikes appear, but little water is needed; then, however, keep pretty moist and give full light and air. After flowering, gradually ripen, and when ready shake out and store in paper bags until next Autumn, or the bulbs can remain in the soil, which should be kept dry.

	Each.
Crateroides. —Bright scarlet; free flowering variety,	\$0 06
Golden Drop. —Beautiful rich yellow, eye deep maroon,	6
Maculosa. —Beautiful pink; very vigorous and free	6
Snowflake. —A true pure white variety; very rare	6
Fine Mixed. —Including varieties above and others;	
a splendid assortment. 6 for 15 cents; 12 for 25c.	3

Set of 4 named varieties for 20 cts.

SPARAXIS.

This exceedingly handsome class of flowers is well adapted for Winter blooming in the house. They require the same treatment as Ixias described above; in fact, bulbs of each can be grown in the same pot with splendid effect. Sparaxis bear large, somewhat cup-shaped flowers, which well display the rare and beautiful combinations of color seen in this family.

Any 3 varieties for 15 cts.

	Each.
Angelique. —Pure white, yellow eye; very pretty	\$0 06
Bicolor Lutea. —Purple and maroon, yellow centre	6
Grandiflora. —Rich crimson, yellow centre; fine	6
Tricolor. —Beautiful clear yellow centre, red markings,	6
Leopard. —Pale yellow, eye deep yellow, brown spot,	6
Queen Victoria. —Blue with white and purple markings, very showy and desirable	6
Finest Mixed. —A mixture of the above and other varieties. 6 for 15 cents; 12 for 25 cts.	3

Set of 6 named varieties for 25 cts.



CRINUM ORNATUM.

Rare Crinums.

These superb flowers are imposing in their royal beauty. They are conceded to be the most magnificent decorative plants in existence; satisfactory for pot and garden culture.

Ornatum.—Ours is the true stock of this finest and rarest of Crinums. Bulbs of this variety never sell for less than \$1 per pound. Grows from 1½ to 5 feet high, bearing a crown of 12 to 20 large, Lily-like blooms; color white, with deep pink stripe down the centre of each petal. The flowers are deliciously scented; foliage evergreen and decidedly handsome. Bulbs can be kept permanently in large pots; grow larger and better every year. Magnificent large bulbs—the finest we have ever seen—sure to bloom, postpaid by mail, 60 cents each; smaller size, 30 cts. each, postpaid by mail.

Kirky.—Large, heavy bulbs, producing numerous clusters of magnificent large flowers of great beauty and fragrance. The broad petals are pure white, with a centre stripe of deep reddish purple. First size, 35 cts.; 3 for \$1; largest size, 50 cts.

Americanum.—Large spikes of lovely white, Lily-like flowers. Very beautiful. 40 cts. each; 3 for \$1.

Set of 3 postpaid for \$1.

Floral Firecracker Plant.

This distinct novelty is well named. It is entirely unlike anything else, and will please all who like new and striking flowers in their windows, as it is specially adapted for a house plant, growing very readily in pots. The bulbs can be potted up when convenient during the Fall, and treated like Hyacinths in pots. The color is deep, rich crimson, tipped with greenish white, at a little distance an umbel of flowers looking like a bunch of bright new firecrackers—hence the name. Every order should contain this bright novelty. 6 cts. each; 3 for 15 cts.; 12 for 50 cts.

Princess Bonnie

blooms all the time during the entire Winter.
No other Rose will do this.

Be sure to read page 6.

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THE FAMOUS Chinese Sacred Lily.

This novel and charming flower was brought to this country by the Chinese to use in celebrating their New Year's or Good Luck feast, as such was the custom at home, where, from the nature of its use, the flowers are looked upon as sacred, as the offering to their gods. The unique manner of growing the bulbs, and the loveliness of the blossom, attracted instant attention in this country, and during the last few years it has become the most popular of all Winter-flowering bulbs; ease of culture, certainty of bloom and rare beauty all combine to make this lovely gem from the flowery kingdom a most interesting and satisfactory Winter flower. It will thrive in soil, but the favorite method of culture is growing in water and gravel, where it can be depended upon to flower within 20 to 30 days after planting. Select a vessel of sufficient size, place two or three bulbs in it, fill the interspace with coarse sand or gravel until the bulb is firmly held in position, and then add water until quite covered. Place in a moderately cool situation by the window; replenish the water from time to time as it evaporates or becomes foul. It is particularly adapted to conditions not favorable to the growth of most other plants. The rapidity of growth and masses of deliciously scented flowers it will produce places it at the head of all Winter-blooming bulbs. There are many spurious bulbs on the market, but those offered by us are the largest and finest procurable, which we import direct from China; they are sure to bloom. PRICE, extra large, solid bulbs, postpaid by mail, 20 cts. each; 3 for 50 cts.; 7 for \$1.



THE CHINESE SACRED LILY.



SINGLE WHITE ROMAN HYACINTHS.

Roman Hyacinths.

THE POPULAR WINTER FLOWER.

Roman Hyacinths are deserving of a place in every collection of house plants. The flowers, as will be seen by the above illustration, are extremely graceful and attractive. The blooms are of the most delicate colors and tints and are delightfully perfumed. They may be grown in pots or glasses the same as other Hyacinths—the methods of treatment being the same. They are decidedly popular—the demand for them increasing yearly. We should be pleased to have your order include a few of these general favorites.

Double Dark Pink.—A magnificent new sort; very large deep-throated bells, grand spike. 6 cts. each; 3 for 15 cts.; 12 for 50 cts.

Double White Pearl.—A valuable novelty, the most popular of any; splendid spikes of lovely, double, pearl-white flowers. 10 cts. each; 3 for 25 cts.; 6 for 45 cts.

Single White (see cut).—Elegant bells of waxy white, very lovely. 6 cts. each; 3 for 15 cts.; 12 for 50 cts.

Single Blue.—Exceedingly pretty and in fine contrast with other varieties. 6 cts. each; 3 for 15 cts.; 12 for 50 cts.

Single Canary Yellow.—Newly introduced; the most distinct of all; beautiful canary yellow. 12 cts. each; 3 for 30 cts.; 6 for 50 cts.

Special Offer.—Complete Set of 5 named Roman Hyacinths offered above for 40 cts.; 2 of each, 10 in all, for 75 cts.

Tufted Hyacinths.

This is a *Hyacinthum Comosum*, and is a tremendous bloomer; deep blue tassel-like racemes; entirely hardy and fine for pot culture. Try a half dozen in a 5-inch pot. 3 cts. each; 6 for 12 cts.; 12 for 20 cts.

The True Feathered Hyacinth.

We offer the *True Feathered Hyacinth*; it is a very curious plant, and well worthy of culture in pots as an odd and interesting flower. In pots, culture is of the simplest; it, however, does best in the open ground, where it is entirely hardy and will become established. The flowers are borne in the form of feathery plumes on graceful stems; the color is deep blue, tinged with red. 7 cts. each; 3 for 15 cts.; 7 for 30 cts.



Grape Hyacinths.

An extremely pretty family of flowers, sometimes called "Blue Lily of the Valley;" entirely hardy, they will adapt themselves to the soil and situation as naturally as grass. A few bulbs will rapidly increase and produce each Spring a mass of lovely bloom. For Winter blooming they give great satisfaction; a few bulbs planted in a 5-inch pot and treated the same as Hyacinths will produce a lovely potful of flowers. The flower stalks grow from 10 to 12 inches high and produce a dense spike of grape-like bells. We offer the best selection obtainable in two colors.

Improved Blue.—Sky-blue bells, tipped with white. 3 cts. each; 5 for 12 cts.; 12 for 25 cts.; 100 for \$2.

Snow White.—A very scarce sort. 10 cts. each; 3 for 25 cts.; 6 for 50 cts.

Special Offer.—Five Improved Blue and 3 Snow White Grape Hyacinths, 8 in all, for 30 cts.

Lachenalias.

An almost unknown class of plants in this country. Lachenalias are especially adapted for Winter bloom, requiring only to be treated like Hyacinths in pots. We think the greatest value of Lachenalias is in their remarkably distinct appearance, and the fact that the flowers remain in bloom for upwards of two months. The curious colors are a blending of yellow and scarlet, shaded with light green, the varieties being made by a predominance of either color. The foliage is also very rare, being marked black and reddish brown.

Luteola.—Yellow, beautifully tinged green. 15 cts. each.

Pendula.—Bright scarlet, peculiarly shaded. 15 cts. each.

Tricolor.—A rare sort; greenish yellow, showily tipped with red. 15 cts. each.



LACHENALIAS.

Pancratium Caribbæum.

This is the true Giant Spider Lily, the bulbs of which are immense; grows over two feet high, producing a large umbel of pure white blooms of an extraordinary form. Always attracts attention and excites astonishment. A splendid Winter-blooming variety. Plant in fairly rich soil in pots or boxes and give abundance of water. Large-sized bulbs, 40 cts. each; smaller size, 25 cts. each.

The prices given include the Postage, which we pay.



GIANT WHITE NARCISSUS, GROWING IN WATER.

Giant White Narcissus.

New, Distinct, and Beautiful, Magnificent Large Flowers.

Grows in Water.

In introducing a new flower, there are a few features, paramount to all others, which are absolutely necessary to make it popular with the amateur florist. There are hosts of beautiful plants that would soon become standard favorites were they only easy to grow successfully; not infrequently their habits are such that none but the skilled professional can grow them satisfactorily. Hence it is that the one feature of all others essential to popularity is ease of culture; this means certainty of growth and bloom. The next consideration is fragrance of flower. Any flower possessing these features, combined with a reasonable price within the reach of all, is bound to attain prominence and consequent popularity. In offering the **Giant White Narcissus**, we believe it will be nigh impossible to find a single fault in it. It has everything to support its claims for recognition. It will not only grow, but it will do so with absolute certainty, and produce immense numbers of deliciously scented flowers in an incredibly short time; in fact, this grand new variety is the earliest of all Narcissus, coming into bloom for the Christmas holidays.

GROW IT IN WATER.

It succeeds best when grown in water. Place sand or gravel in the bottom of the receptacle in which it is to be grown, firmly imbedding the bulb in it; then keep it well covered with water as shown in illustration, and you will not have long to wait until the lovely clusters of large white flowers, whose fragrance is equal to orange blossoms, will appear in wonderful profusion, we might truthfully say, in enormous quantities. **Giant White Narcissus** may be grown in soil like a Hyacinth, but the best and most interesting method is in pebbles and water.

TO GET THE BEST EFFECT.

Several bulbs, not less than three, should be planted together. Give plenty of sunshine, and we think all our friends who are fortunate enough to try it, will concede, that for delicious, refreshing fragrance, immensity of flower and ease of culture, it will be difficult to find the equal of the **Giant White Narcissus**. The bulbs we offer are imported direct from France, are large, sound and solid, sure to grow and bloom.

Price, postpaid by mail, 10 cts. each; 3 for 25 cts.; 7 for 50 cts.; 75 cts. per dozen.

The prices given include the Postage, which we pay.



CALLA.

Calla Lily or Lily of the Nile are the names under which *Recardias* are commonly known. They bloom at almost any season of the year, but are especially valuable for Winter blooming. Dry bulbs may be potted and planted in rich soil, and abundance of water should be given at all times while growing. No novelty of recent introduction has created such a furore as **Little Gem**. It has created a sensation, and the many points of superior merit have placed it in the foremost ranks of the *Lily* family.

Dwarf Calla, Little Gem.

It is indeed a pigmy, scarcely ever exceeding the height of one foot, yet producing good-sized flowers, which are snowy white in color. It will be found exceedingly useful for cut flowers. The genuine **Little Gems** are very scarce; our stock has been procured direct from headquarters. We offer pot plants. (See cut.) 20 cts. each; 3 for 50 cts.; 6 for \$1.

Spotted Calla.

The leaves of this popular and beautiful novelty are deep rich green, exquisitely ornamented with pure white marks; the plant is therefore highly ornamental even when not in flower; in all other respects it is like the favorite old *Calla*. The pure white color of the flowers is lovely in contrast with the deep black throat; it is easily grown, very distinct, free to bloom and will give satisfaction; we would advise growing two bulbs in a five-inch pot; the culture is very simple. We have a fine stock of large, solid bulbs that cannot fail to give the best results. 15 cts. each; 2 for 25 cts.; 5 for 50 cts.

Calla--Lily of the Nile.

Is the favorite old *White Calla* that always gives satisfaction. We offer well-ripened corms, suitable for 5-inch pots; no other *Calla* will give such an abundance of fine flowers and foliage as the *California*-grown corms we offer. 15 cts. each; 2 for 25 cts.

Tritonia.

This beautiful class of Winter-blooming bulbs requires the same treatment as *Ixias*, blooming with them; in appearance they are like miniature *Gladiolus*. The colors are very soft and pleasing, ranging from white through salmon, orange and scarlet. They are especially adapted for pot culture, and are amongst the prettiest and most interesting Winter flowers now offered. Owing to a large stock our price is very low.

Finest Mixed.—A grand mixture of 16 best sorts. 2 for 5 cts.; 8 for 15 cts.; 15 for 25 cts.



Calochortus.

BBETTER known as Butterfly Tulips, Star Tulips, California Lily or Mariposa Lily. Our illustration does them but scant justice. The Calochortus are not suitable for outdoor culture, except in the extreme South or along the Pacific coast; but as house plants, given the same treatment as Hyacinths, they succeed admirably. Their novel grace, varied forms and tints of exquisite colors, are a source of never-ending pleasure to all. The foliage is extremely graceful, the many stems terminating in clusters of bell-shaped, drooping flowers, which are surpassingly gay and beautiful. The best effects may be secured by planting 5 or 6 bulbs in a 6-inch pot; boxes may also be used for the purpose. The soil should consist of an equal proportion of natural loam and sand. We have made the prices very low and anticipate a large demand for these bulbs.

CALOCHORTUS, ERECT-FLOWERING.

The following varieties produce erect, cup-like flowers of large size, borne on stiff, slender stalks, 10 to 20 inches high, and produce 15 to 20 flowers on a stalk.

Splendens.—The type of the species; very large flowers, fully 3 inches across; light lavender, shading to lilac, full of cobwebby hairs; a charming addition to a collection of pot plants. 10 cts. each; 3 for 25 cts.; 12 for 75 cts.

Venustus Oculatus.—Showy and distinct; glorious flowers; white ground inside, with striking eye-like spots, richly colored reddish brown outside. 6 cts. each; 3 for 15c.

Venustus Roseus.—A perfect gem; creamy inside, rose colored at top of petals, carmine on back, beautiful tinted eye in centre, silky glands at base. 6 cts. each; 3 for 15 cts.

Albus (Bell-shaped).—Strong grower; very floriferous; flowers an inch in diameter, perfect globes of pearly white; edged with silky hairs, hanging like bells. 6 cts. each; 3 for 15 cts.

Calochortus Amoenus.—Color satiny rose pink; lovely beyond description, and we consider it the highest type of Calochortus yet sent out; and best of all, it is as easily grown as any other variety of Calochortus. 10 cts. each; 2 for 15 cts.; 5 for 35 cts.

Set of 5 varieties for 25 cts.

Calochortus, All Varieties Mixed.—Comprising a mixture of the best and richest collection of these beautiful and rare flowers yet sent out, and the most for the money ever offered. 6 for 10 cts.; 12 for 20 cts.; 25 for 40 cts.; 50 for 75 cts.; 100 for \$1.50.



A HANGING
BASKET OF
OXALIS.

OXALIS.

The varieties of Oxalis we offer at this season are entirely suitable for Winter blooming and pot culture. These lovely flowers are now among the most popular, and cannot be surpassed for hanging baskets, pots and positions calling for graceful and effective flowering plants. The bulbs are of the easiest culture, and a few in a five-inch pot or basket will start off at once and soon be in flower, remaining so throughout the Winter. Nothing offered for house culture will be more likely to please than Oxalis.

Oxalis Bowei.—An elegant species from the Cape of Good Hope; large, deep pink flowers. 4 cts. each; 3 for 10 cts.; 12 for 30 cts.

Ceruna Lutea Major.—Splendid showy clusters of bright yellow flowers. 8 cts. each; 3 for 20 cts.; 12 for 60 cts.

Floribunda Rubra.—The brightest, showiest red we know. 5 cts. each; 3 for 10 cts.; 12 for 30 cts.

Versicolor.—A lovely two-colored rose and white variety. 3 cts. each; 6 for 15 cts.; 12 for 25 cts.

Set of 4 named varieties 15 cts.

Mixed Oxalis.—A splendid mixture of 22 best varieties, including the above. 2 cts. each; 3 for 5 cts.; 12 for 20 cts.

BRODEIÆS.

The blossoms are odd and beautiful, tubular in shape and borne in large clusters, or umbels, on strong, slender stems, 6 to 12 inches high. The Brodeiæ, like Calochortus, are easily cultivated, and are specially valuable as house plants for Winter. Several bulbs can be grown in a single pot.



TYPE OF BRODEIÆ.

Stellaris.—Considered the handsomest of all Brodeiæ; star-like clusters of rich purple and white flowers; a vigorous grower. 5 cts. each; 3 for 12 cts.

Grandiflora.—The largest flowering of all; color, a deep, purplish blue; flowers beautifully shaped and glossy. 5 cts. each; 3 for 12 cts.

BRODEIÆS, FINEST VARIETIES MIXED.

This mixture is made up of a fine assortment of all the best colors. 4 cts. each; 3 for 10 cts.; 6 for 20 cts.; 12 for 40 cts.

The prices given include the Postage, which we pay.

Parrot Tulips.

Parrot Tulips are the most distinctly shaped and marked of any; the flowers are larger than those of other varieties, and the striking and beautiful colors range through all shades of golden yellow, green, crimson-striped, deep crimson, clear yellow, etc. Some bulbs should be included in each order.



TYPE OF PARROT TULIPS.

	<i>Each.</i>	<i>Per Doz.</i>
Belle Jaune. —Pure yellow	\$0 55	\$0 45
Cafe Brun. —Coffee color and yellow	5	45
Constantinople. —Very handsome red	5	45
Feu Brilliant. —Rich glossy crimson	10	1 00
Mark Graaf. —Very showy; red and orange	5	50
Monstre Rogue. —Elegant deep crimson	6	50
Perfecta. —Yellow and red; extra fine	5	40
Superfine Mixture. —All colors, per 100, \$2.50	3	35

Tulipa Greigi.

THE ROYAL TULIP.

Heretofore this, the king of Tulips, was so very scarce and held at such a high price that only a limited number was imported. At last we were able to procure a fine stock of bulbs, which we offer at a reasonable price. This grand novelty is



TULIPA GREIGI.

**Tulipa
Gesneriana.**



TULIPA GESNERIANA.

It is notable as being the most superb of all Tulips and is one of the parents of the Tulip family. The flower stems are two to three feet high, producing exquisite blossoms of large size, which in color are an intense, dazzling glossy crimson, with centre of deep blue. 6 cts. each; 3 for 15 cts.

Tulipa Golden Crown.

YELLOW GESNERIANA.

This beautiful Tulip is exactly like "Gesneriana" with the exception that the flowers are of a fine yellow color, banded with orange; it forms a superb contrast with the Scarlet Gesneriana. 6 cts. each; 3 for 15 cents.

Byblooms and Bizards.

We desire to call special attention to the Byblooms, Bizards and Breeders' types of Tulips, of which we offer a fine collection. These merit more general recognition from the vast army of flower lovers. Their bloom somewhat resembles that of the Giesneriana (see cut), and they wear all the gorgeous livery of their species. They attain a height of from one to two feet, the stems often branching and producing several large blooms. Their flowering period is later than the other sorts, which is a point in their favor.

	<i>Each.</i>	<i>Per Doz.</i>
Byblooms Mixed.—All white ground . . .	\$0 55	\$0 50
Bizards Mixed.—All yellow ground. . . .	5	50
Byblooms Mixed.—All rosy colors	8	80
“ “ All violet colors. . . .	8	80
Florentine Odorata.—Also known as the Tea Rose Tulip; rich yellow flowers; very fragrant	10	1 00
All colors of Byblooms and Bizards. . .	5	50
Darwin Tulips Mixed.—Splendid colors mixed	8	80

Narcissus Poeticus.

This, the Poet's Narcissus, also called the Pheasant's Eye, needs no praise; a clump should be in every garden among the shrubbery or in the grass; half dozen or dozen bulbs will make a fine clump that will increase in size and beauty from year to year; needs no protection during Winter; blooms



NARCISSUS POETICUS.

very early; pure white flowers, with miniature saucers, edged with bright crimson; exceedingly beautiful and graceful; also can be readily grown in the house in pots or vases, presenting a charming sight. We offer fine bulbs of the best varieties.

Poeticus (*The True Poet's Narcissus*—see cut).
—Pure white flowers with orange cup, edged with crimson; splendid for cut flowers. 5 cts. each; 6 for 25 cts.; 12 for 50 cts.

Poeticus Flore Pleno.—Double white, sweet-scented flowers. 10 cts. each; 3 for 25 cts.; 6 for 50 cts.

Poeticus Ornatus.—We have a select stock of this, the improved Poeticus; very large, well-displayed, pure white flowers, beautifully formed eye; magnificent for pot culture. 10 cts. each; 3 for 25 cts.; 6 for 50 cts.

❖ CROCUS ❖ The First Flowers of Spring.



CROCUS GROWING IN SAND AND WATER.

❖ CROCUS ❖

At prices named, we send large bulbs, first quality Crocus by Mail, postpaid. Orders by Express will deduct 25 cts. per 100.

The Finest Named Varieties.

	Per Doz.	Per 100
Albion.—Fine striped, large and good	\$0 15	\$1 10
Caroline Chisholm.—The best white	15	1 10
David Rizzio.—Magnificent dark purple	15	1 10
Lord Byron.—Superb blue	15	1 10
Sir Walter Scott.—Very distinct, striped	15	1 10
Queen Victoria.—A splendid pure white variety	15	1 10

Any of the above-named varieties, 3 for 5 cts.; 6 for 10 cts.

CROCUS, MONSTER YELLOW.

This is the largest of all Crocus; equally desirable for open ground or pot culture. The bulbs are very large and come into flower very early; the profusion of bloom is remarkable, fifteen to twenty-five large flowers being the usual number per bulb. Plant two or three in a six-inch pot, and you will be sure of dozens of bright yellow blossoms in a short time; by planting at intervals, a succession of bloom can be had through the Winter. A clump of this variety in the open ground will look in early Spring like a sheet of beaten gold (see cut). Price, large bulbs, 3 cts. each; 4 for 10 cts.; 12 for 25 cts.; 100 for \$1.75.

Various Crocus.

Cloth of Gold.—This striking Crocus from the Crimea is one of the earliest Spring-flowering species; variously feathered flowers, golden orange, evenly suffused with dull brown, stigma orange-scarlet. 3 for 10 cts.; 12 for 25 cts.

Cloth of Silver.—The same as the above, except the color is beautifully silver-shaded. 3 for 15 cts.; 12 for 35 cts.

Saffron.—This species furnishes the saffron of commerce; it appears to have been cultivated in Palestine at the time of Solomon. The flowers are violet colored, variously striped with deeper or lighter tints, and are fragrant. 3 for 10 cts.; 12 for 25 cts.

Scotch.—Well-known and popular class; should be included in every collection. 3 for 10 cts.; 12 for 25 cts.

Versicolor.—Beautifully colored, varying from purple to white; feathered and veined with purple, yellow anthers; one of the earliest of all. 3 for 15 cts.; 12 for 35 cts.

The Finest Mixed Colors.

	Per Doz.	Per 100
Mixed White.—Different varieties	\$0 12	\$0 75
Mixed Purple and Blue.—Different varieties	12	75
Mixed Striped.—Different varieties	12	75
Mixed Yellow.—Different varieties	12	75
All Colors Mixed.—Different varieties	10	60

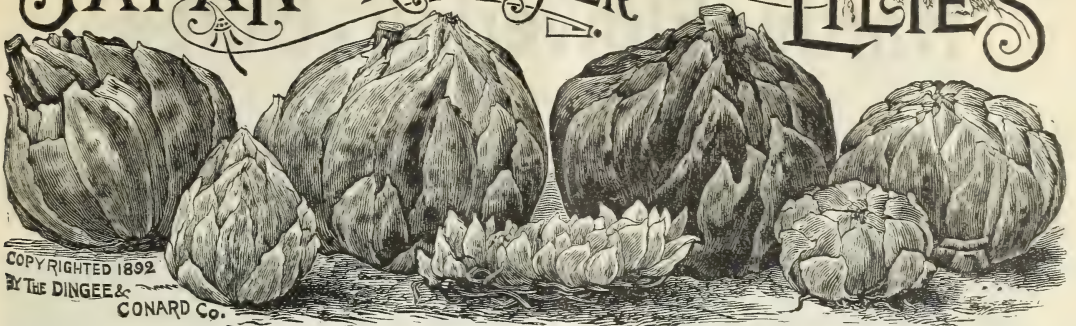
Any of the above-named varieties, 3 for 3 cts.; 6 for 6 cts.



CROCUS MONSTER YELLOW.

The Prices given include the Postage, which we pay.

JAPAN AND OTHER LILIES



THIS ancient and aristocratic family, with its long line of distinguished posterity, is so well and favorably known that descriptions are unnecessary, even were it possible for the pen or brush to portray their almost savage beauty. They are hardy and of rapid and vigorous growth, and a bed of them, once established, becomes a permanent fixture that will long survive as a wondrous and attractive feature of the garden. They succeed best if given a good, light, dry soil and a sheltered location, such as the proximity of shrubbery or trees (if not too large and dense), or a snug nook such as the angles of buildings usually afford. The bulbs should be planted about 6 or 8 inches deep. The varieties that we offer below are among the finest types, carefully selected with reference to the demands for general cultivation.

REMEMBER, the bulbs offered are large, sound and solid, and are far superior to the small bulbs frequently offered. All our bulbs are sure to grow and bloom.

Lilium Auratum.

Magnificent pure white flowers, often measuring a foot across, exquisitely spotted with rose, and rayed and banded with golden yellow in the most beautiful manner; maroon-tipped stamens in high contrast with the flowers. This noble Lily is certainly one of the most valuable and ornamental of flowers, either for pot or garden culture, and should be planted by every one. Fine, large, blooming bulbs. 20 cts. each; 6 for \$1.

Batemanii.—A new and desirable Japanese Lily; grows 3 to 4 feet high; clear apricot-colored flowers, without spot or stain; very desirable. 25 cts. each; 5 for \$1.

Candidum.—The old white garden Lily (not Japan), a splendid sort; elegant large pure white flowers in clusters; blooms earlier than the others, but not always the first year. 20 cts. each; \$2 per dozen.

Kramerii.—Entirely distinct from any other Lily known; flowers beautiful soft rose color. 30 cts. each; 4 for \$1.

Longiflorum.—A well-known, beautiful, snow-white, fragrant Lily; fine for forcing and handsome in the garden. 20 cts. each; 6 for \$1.

Pardalium (Leopard Lily).—A very beautiful and handsome Lily from California; entirely hardy; grows 3 to 5 feet high; very free flowering; color bright orange red, with lighter orange centre; large clusters of flowers, that look very beautiful and striking. 15 cts. each; 3 for 40 cts.; 6 for 75 cts.

ELEGANS.—The Elegans species of Lily, also known as Thunbergianum and Umbellatum, are among the best hardy varieties. The large, bell-shaped flowers are borne in clusters, and are produced in early Summer in great profusion.

Croceum.—This is the old Orange Lily, and is very graceful and distinct; beautifully shaped flowers, orange and black in color. 25 cts. each; 5 for \$1.

Elegans, Mixed Varieties.—The richest hues of yellow, crimson, red and dark red. 15 cts. each; 6 for 75 cts.; 12 for \$1.25.

SPECIOSUM or LANCIFOLUM are the most popular and satisfactory of all Lilies. We offer below the best varieties; all are distinct, graceful and very popular.

Album.—Pure white, very fragrant, and much liked. 25 cts. each; 5 for \$1.

Melpomene.—This is a variety of most wonderful beauty. It is both scarce and valuable. Frosted white, spotted, clouded and bearded with pinkish crimson. Petals deeply recurved and widely bordered. Inexpressibly fine. 25 cts. each; 6 for \$1.

Rubrum.—One of the finest of Japanese Lilies; splendid bright crimson and white flowers, borne in clusters; grows 2 to 3 feet. 20 cts. each; 6 for \$1.

Tigrinum fl. pl. (Double Tiger Lily).—This magnificent Lily is borne in immense clusters on tall strong stems; the flowers are very large, frequently 6 inches, and very double; color deep fiery red, spotted with black. 20 cts. each; 6 for \$1.

Tiger Splendens (Single Tiger Lily).—This splendid Lily is one of the best; the stem is tall, the flowers large and of excellent form, blooming in large clusters; color orange, with intense dark spots. 20 cts. each; 6 for \$1.

Bermuda Easter Lily.

Most popular of all Lilies for house culture; its certainty to bloom and the superb beauty of the flowers have made it almost indispensable (see page 7 for description and illustration). We offer it in three sizes—bulbs sure to bloom—at reduced prices, 15c., 20c., 30c. each.

Scarlet Mexican Lily.

This is a flower of wonderful beauty and of the easiest cultivation; succeeds equally well grown in water like a Hyacinth or in soil. Produces immense numbers of flowers. Get at least three bulbs, and you will be more than pleased with the gorgeous display they will make. Three sizes, 10 cts., 20 cts. and 25 cts. each. All sure to bloom.

SPECIAL OFFER.—The entire collection of Japan and other Lilies offered, 15 varieties, for \$2.50.



LILIUM AURATUM.

Hardy · Flowering · Bulbs

BOTH FOR INDOOR AND OUTDOOR CULTURE.

Under this heading, on pages 24 to 27 inclusive, are offered the leading and standard hardy bulbs. By hardy is meant such bulbs as are adapted to planting in open ground in the Northern, Western and Middle States, and which will stand their severe Winters with perfect impunity. The utmost care has been exercised in making this selection, and from our careful tests and observations we know the list comprises all the most desirable kinds, that will surely produce nothing but gratifying results. Many of the sorts offered are also splendid for indoor culture. It is our thought that a very large proportion of our customers will appreciate this classification.



Rainbow Iris.

The species of Iris described below will give great satisfaction grown in pots. Several can be placed in a five-inch pot for Winter blooming in the house, as they are easily grown, sure to bloom, and above all are something new. The species offered are remarkably alike for their curiously constructed flowers and the peculiar manner in which the colors are blended; also can be planted in the garden; entirely hardy.

Anglica.—Finest mixed seedlings, including great and striking variety of color, splendid for bedding or borders; will afford a gorgeous display. 10 cts. each; 3 for 25 cts.

Hispanica Finest Mixed (see cut).—For intense and dazzling colors this mixture is unsurpassed; suitable for beds or borders and for pot culture. 5 cts. each; 6 for 25 cts.

Peacock Iris.—Very showy, pure white, with bright blue spot on each petal. 10 cts. each; 3 for 25 cts.

Persian Iris (Violet scented).—Showy flowers, different colored standards; bright yellow beardless keel, with waved edges, short stem; fine for pots. 10 cts. each; 3 for 25 cts.

Spanish Iris Gold Cup.—Bronze and yellow colors blended; a very fine and striking variety. 10 cts. each; 3 for 25 cts.

Set of 5 named above, 40 cts.

WINTER ACONITE.

Imported from Europe. The plant blooms in early Spring and is a most desirable acquisition to any collection. The foliage is emerald green, and the blossoms large and of a deep golden yellow, suitable for planting in shaded or moist situations; very ornamental and interesting. 5 cts. each; 6 for 25 cts., 12 for 40 cts.

We meet competition both in quality and prices. Compare our prices and premium offer with others and note that we give you the most and best for the money, and guarantee satisfaction in every instance.

The prices given include the Postage, which we pay.



LILY OF THE VALLEY.

Lily of the Valley.

The pure white exquisite flowers and pale green foliage of this beautiful plant render it one of the most useful and admired. It succeeds in the open ground in almost any situation, but prefers shade with plenty of moisture; when once planted and established the crowns keep on increasing each year. The large ones flower each season without any attention however. A top dressing of manure on rich soil in the Autumn will be found a great advantage. Grown in pots and forced into flower they make a beautiful object for room decoration; for house culture place rather thickly in pots or boxes, and a little light soil or fibrous matter scattered among the roots, but not over the tops, then cover with moss or some such substance and place outside until after a sharp frost; then bring to window and give plenty of heat and some moisture, and the flowers and foliage will soon appear. The crowns of Lily of the Valley we offer are imported by us direct from Berlin, Germany, and we have no hesitation in saying they are far superior for home planting to those received from Hamburg, which stock is usually sent out by the dealers.

Prices of Lily of the Valley.—Strong flowering crowns, by Mail, postpaid, 5 cts. each; 6 for 25 cts.; 12 for 50 cts.; 25 for \$1; 100 for \$3.

Prices by Express.—100 for \$2.50; 500 for \$8.50; 1000 for \$16.50.

PLEASE NOTICE.—Our importation of Lily of the Valley will arrive about the middle of November, which is as early as they are ever received in this country. All orders will be booked and sent at that time.

ERYTHRONIUM
GRANDIFLORA.

Erythronium Grandiflora.

THE BEAUTIFUL WOOD LILY.

These exceedingly ornamental hardy plants are now immensely popular. They are generally planted in open ground, where they are entirely hardy and will found a colony, taking care of themselves. They will also delight all as a window plant for Winter blooming, being of the easiest culture and sure to bloom freely in Midwinter; a few bulbs will give a pot full of handsome foliage plants, which produce numbers of graceful, drooping Lily-like flowers; color a fine shade of yellow. The bulbs should be potted or planted soon after being received, as they suffer if allowed to remain dry. 6 cts. each; 3 for 15 cts.; 12 for 50 cts.

ERYTHRONIUM REVOLUTUM.

In introducing this splendid new variety for the first time we recommend it as a valuable addition to our gardens. Those who know the beauty of Erythronium will best appreciate this new species when we say it is the most beautiful of the family. The flowers are large, of great substance and in color a very striking white, tinged with green. The leaves are narrow, beautifully marbled, and mottled with brown. It is unlike any other variety in cultivation, and, being of easy culture, growing to perfection in ordinary soil and location, is worthy of recognition. Fine bulbs, 20 cts. each; 3 for 50 cts.; 7 for \$1.00.

CAMASSIA ESCULENTA.

This lovely flowering bulb is the "Quamash" of the Indians; as a hardy plant it is very valuable for shrubby borders or wherever a clump of hardy flowers is desirable.



CAMASSIA ESCULENTA.

In early Spring the flower stocks grow sturdily 2 to 3 feet high, and produce magnificent spikes of starry-like blue flowers, each at least 2 inches across. A clump in bloom is a striking and graceful sight. The flowers are very fine for cutting, lasting a long time when placed in water. Can also be easily grown as a pot plant for Winter blooming, giving it the same treatment as Hyacinths (see cut). 8 cts. each; 2 for 15 cts.; 4 for 25 cts.; 12 for 75 cts.



SCILLA SIBERICA.

Scilla.

Scilla Siberica or Præcox (see cut).—A most beautiful variety; equally desirable for planting in open ground for earliest Spring flowers or in pots for Winter blooming. The bulbs are entirely hardy and thrive with little or no care. The flowers are borne in greatest profusion, and are an exquisite rich blue color; grown in pots they will be in bloom from Christmas until April; in the open ground the flowers come almost before the snow is gone. 3c. each; 12 for 25c.

Clusi (Peruviana).—Also known as the Peruvian Hyacinth and Cuban Lily. Recommended as the grandest of all Winter bloomers; produces an enormous cluster of star-shaped blue flowers, which remain in bloom a long time. See page 15 for further description and illustration. 15 cts. each; 3 for 35 cts.

Wood Hyacinth (Campanulata).—An elegant plant for the shrubby borders or grass in odd corners; grows 1 to 2 feet; splendid spikes of bell-shaped flowers, which droop gracefully; perfectly hardy; blue and white colors mixed. 3 cts. each; 12 for 30 cts.

CAMASSIA CUSICKII.

This is a grand new species, destined to become a general favorite wherever grown. The bulbs are large, running from 2 to 8 ounces. The leaves are particularly fine—fully a foot in length. It blooms in wonderful profusion, producing in great racemes, 2 to 3 feet in height, hundreds of pale sky-blue flowers. Equally satisfactory for open-ground cultivation or for planting indoors. We recommend this splendid variety most highly, and ask our customers to give it a trial. Fine bulbs, 25 cts. each.

CAMASSIA ALBA.

A lovely new variety, resembling Esculenta, with pure white flowers. Grouped with either of the two varieties described above the effect is fine. 15 cts. each; 2 for 25 cts.; 4 for 50 cts.; 9 for \$1.00.

! each of the varieties named above, 40 cts.

TRILLIUM SESSILE.

This pretty and interesting variety is so closely allied to the Lily family to merit the term "the Lily's cousin." It is a hardy perennial, well suited for partially shaded situations, where it increases in size and beauty year after year. The flowers are large, and in form lily-like; they measure 2 to 3 inches across, and are gracefully set in three large, dark leaves, which gives them the appearance and finish of a perfect bouquet. This is one of the finest bulbs offered in this book. 15 cts. each; 2 for 25 cts.; 4 for 50 cts.; 9 for \$1.00.

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Ornithogalum · Umbelatum.

STAR OF BETHLEHEM.



ORNITHOGALUM UMBELATUM.

This lovely flowering bulb is valuable both for pot culture in the house during Winter, and in the open ground for early Spring blooming. Unlike *O. Arabicum* (see page 18), this variety is entirely hardy, and once planted it will become a permanent and beautiful addition to the garden. It is sure to do well under any ordinary circumstances, and the bulbs cost so little that no garden should be without a clump. In pots, culture is of the simplest. The star-like white blossoms are borne in great umbels. Fine bulbs, 5 cts. each; 3 for 10 cts.; 12 for 35 cts.

✻Tritelia Uniflora✻

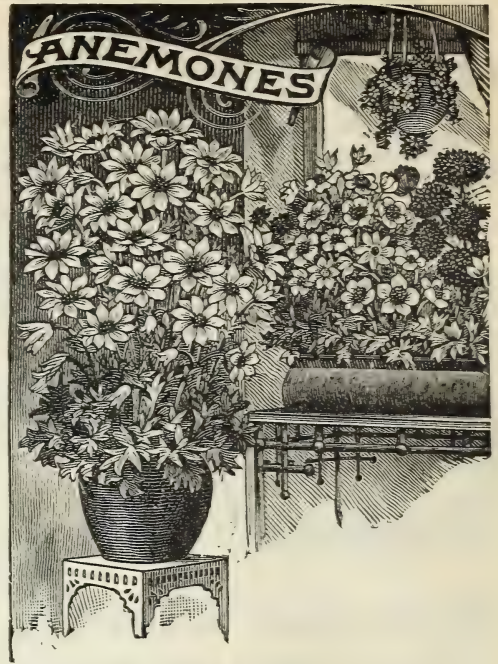
A most valuable addition to Winter-flowering bulbs for house culture. Several bulbs can be planted in a four or five-inch pot; each will send up numerous flower stalks, producing exquisite star-shaped blossoms; pure white, beautifully lined with azure blue. The flowers follow each other successively, and a pot or basket of these bulbs presents a lovely blooming appearance all Winter. This variety is also entirely hardy; can be planted in open ground, blooming splendidly in Spring. Fine bulbs, 3 cts. each; 6 for 10 cts.; 12 for 20 cts.

Tritelia Violacea.—This fine new variety is beautiful violet-blue color; otherwise like *Tritelia Uniflora*. 8 cts. each; 3 for 20 cts.; 12 for 70 cts.



TRITELIA UNIFLORA.

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ANEMONES—FRENCH POPPY AND CHRYSANTHEMUM-FLOWERED.

..Anemones..

THE DEWY WIND FLOWER.

These lovely hardy perennial plants should be in every garden, as they succeed with very slight attention and will produce masses of brilliantly colored flowers, which are wonderfully beautiful. If planted in the Autumn months they will bloom in early Spring, and if planted in the Spring they will bloom during the Summer and Autumn. We recommend planting each season. They are also very fine for pot culture in the house during Winter, where they can be grown in the simplest manner; the bulbs can remain in the same pot year after year without being disturbed. We hope every order will include some Anemones.

Chrysanthemum Flowered.—These are the finest of all the double Anemones; the splendid flowers are large and well imbricated, like an incurved Chrysanthemum; very vigorous in habit of growth and free flowering. We offer a mixture made up of the finest varieties. 10 cts. each; 3 for 25 cts.; 12 for 75 cts.

French Giant Poppy Flowered.—We now offer this new and superb race of Anemones for the first time. During mild Winters or in sheltered situations they will begin blooming in January and continue until June. The large cup-shaped, poppy-like flowers are gorgeously colored. Unsurpassed for pot culture in the house during Winter, giving a succession of brightest flowers all Winter. 3 cts. each; 6 for 15 cts.; 12 for 25 cts.

Fulgens (The Scarlet Wind Flower).—No plant can compete with this elegant variety in beauty and brilliancy; the flowers are large and of a dazzling vermilion or scarlet color. In the open ground it is one of the first flowers of Spring, and is perfectly hardy; it is impossible to plant it where it will not succeed. Splendid for bouquets or vases, as the flowers last a long time when cut and placed in water. 5 cts. each; 6 for 20 cts.; 12 for 40 cts.

Finest Holland Double Mixed.—This is the best cheap selection of Anemones. 3 cts. each; 12 for 25 cts.

Remember we are leaders in retailing bulbs, and our trade demands immense quantities of stock, and, in consequence, we are enabled to secure it at the lowest possible price. No one can buy nor sell cheaper. All the bulbs we offer are the first or largest size.

❖ Snowdrops ❖

Snowdrops are the first blossoms of Spring, bringing graceful greetings of the flowers and verdure that are to come. They can be planted in groups and left undisturbed for years, coming forth annually with renewed strength and beauty. They are also exquisitely pretty planted singly in the grass, their foliage being sufficiently matured to cut without injury to the bulbs by the time the lawn is ready to be mown.

Galanthus Nivalis.—The old-fashioned Snowdrop; pure white. 3 for 5 cts.; 12 for 20 cts.

Elwes' Giant Snowdrop (Galanthus Elwesi).—The largest and most beautiful of all Snowdrops; flowers pure snow white, bright green tube. 5 cts.; 6 for 25 cts.; 12 for 50 cts.; 100 for \$3.

Glory of the Snow (Chionodoxa Lucicillea).—A most lovely variety, producing spikes of beautiful azure blue flowers with pure white centre; in striking contrast with G. Elwesi. 5 cts.; 6 for 25 cts.; 12 for 50 cts.; 100 for \$3.

Gigantea.—As the name indicates, a large flowering variety; color beautiful light blue with white centre. This is a new production and exceedingly fine. 5 cts. each; 6 for 25 cts.; 12 for 50 cts.; 100 for \$3.



GALANTHUS (SNOWDROPS).

....Ranunculus

FAIR MAIDS OF FRANCE.

These beautiful dwarf-growing bulbous plants have become very popular in this country. They are perfectly hardy in open ground south of Washington, D. C. In the north they should be protected outdoors with leaves or similar litter during Winter. They are easily grown both in pots in the house and in open ground, and are equally desirable for either purpose. The plants are sturdy growers, their habit of growth being the best. They produce a wonderful profusion of large double flowers, an idea of which can be gathered from our illustration. The flowers embrace the gayest and most brilliant colors, such as white, crimson, orange, purple, variegated, etc. Every one should possess a few bulbs of this charming family, as they will produce most pleasing results. We have imported an extra-fine lot, which cannot fail to please.

Guernsey Turban (Finest Mixed).—This fine strain is very different from and far superior to the Dutch varieties usually sent out; each root produces a great number of double flowers of bright and rich colorings. 3 cts. each; 6 for 15 cts.; 12 for 25 cts.

French Turban (Finest Mixed).—Splendid and vigorous growers, with gorgeous flowers of largest size produced in great quantities. This strain will please all. 5 cts. each; 3 for 12 cts.; 12 for 40 cts.



RANUNCULUS (INDOORS).

....Jonquils

Jonquils make a very desirable addition to the garden, and they are also in large request for house culture. The flowers are of a rich golden yellow and delightfully scented. They belong to the Narcissus family and should be given the same treatment.

Double.—Extra fine; deep yellow. 8 cts. each; 3 for 20 cts.; 6 for 35 cts.

Single.—Rich yellow; very fragrant. 5 cts. each; 3 for 10 cts., 6 for 15 cts.

Campernelle Mixed.—Large yellow flowers; rich and very striking. 5 cts. each; 3 for 10 cts.; 6 for 15 cts.

Our
New Guide
to
Rose Culture,

Unabridged
Edition,

Will be ready to send out January 1, 1897. It is the acknowledged authority on matters pertaining to the culture of the Queen of Flowers. It will be sent free to customers of the past few years, also to those who order from this catalogue. To others free upon application.



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Hardy Shrubs, Vines and Plants for Fall Planting.

Plant liberally of Shrubs, Vines and Hardy Plants; they will give satisfaction in every particular. This class of plants is a leading specialty with us. The list given on this page contains the very best and choicest sorts in cultivation. They are described in detail in "Our New Guide," Spring edition, on pages 70 to 75. We recommend Shrubs for Fall planting, as they are perfectly hardy, will become established before Winter sets in, and, like trees, will make roots when the ground is frozen solid; then again they will make an early growth as Spring opens, and thereby give splendid results the year after planting. Fall planting may be said to be the quickest to produce results, the safest and most satisfactory. All the Shrubs and Vines offered on this page may be planted this Fall with the entire certainty of their surviving the severest Winter, and giving good results next year. When received, the plants should be cut back about one-half their growth, and, in planting, firm the soil well around the roots. We call special attention to the greatly reduced prices.

ALL OUR SHRUBS ARE FIELD GROWN. THE LARGE PLANTS ARE FROM THREE TO FIVE YEARS OLD.

All plants of the first size sent postpaid, by mail, at prices named. The larger sizes must be sent by Freight or Express at purchaser's expense. Prices include boxing, packing and delivery to Freight or Express office here.

PRICES: First, or Mail Size, except where noted, 15 cts. each; 5 for 50 cts.; 10 for \$1.00, postpaid by mail.

Second Size, 3 years old, blooming plants, 25 cts. each; 5 for \$1.00; 10 for \$1.50; \$12.00 per hundred.

Third Size, 3 to 5 years old, extra heavy plants, 50 cts. each; 10 for \$4.00; \$25.00 per hundred.

Orders for 25 or more of single varieties, filled at hundred rates.

All varieties can be furnished in first and second size, unless otherwise stated. Only varieties marked with a star (*) can be supplied in the third or largest size.

ALTHEAS (Rose of Sharon) Alba Plena.*—Large double white flowers, blotched with rose.

Blanche.*—The nearest pure white double Althaea. **New Banner.***—Flowers as large as a rose; color, clear rosy pink, striped rich crimson. Blooms the first year.

Buist's Variegated Leaved.*—Beautiful; leaves green, broadly margined, silver white, flowers double.

Double Purple.*—Fine double flowers, deep reddish purple.

Carnation Striped.*—Pink, with crimson stripes; very fine.

Totus Albus.*—Finest single white.

ANDROMEDA MARIANA.*—Produces great sprays of fragrant waxy white flowers, that resemble Lily of the Valley.

BERBERIS (Barberry) Atropurpurea* (Purple Leaved),

—Purple foliage, yellow flowers. Splendid for hedging.

Thunbergia.*—New and beautiful. Fine yellow flowers.

In Winter the bush is covered with brilliant red berries.

CALYCANTHUS FLORIDUS.*—The good old-fashioned sweet-scented shrub.

CATALPA, Teas Japanese Hybrid.*—A magnificent tree-shrub. Large foliage; flowers creamy white, tinted purple.

Speciosa.*—Finer and harder than the common Catalpas.

CERCIS (Japan Judas) JAPONICA.*—Grows 6 to 8 feet.

Deep rosy crimson flowers borne in great profusion.

CHIONANTHUS (White Fringed) VIRGINICA.*—A fine

ornamental tree; grows 15 to 25 feet; white flowers.

CYDONIA (Japan Quince), Snow White.*—Every one

knows the beauty of the Japan Quince.

Japonica.*—Same as Snow White, except flowers are bright

crimson. Both varieties fine for hedging.

CLEMATIS STANS.*—Low spreading habit. Blooms in late

Fall; flowers white; look like Lily of the Valley.

CLETHRA ALNIFOLIA.*—Creamy white flowers of wonderful fragrance.

DEUTZIA CRENATA.*—Very stately. Flowers double; white tinged with rose. Blooms profusely in June.

Fortunii.*—A prolific blooming variety; pure white flowers.

DEUTZIA GRACILIS.*—Dwarf; snow-white bells.

Pride of Rochester.*—Resembles Crenata. Very fine.

EXOCHORDA GRANDIFLORA.*—4 to 6 feet. Beautiful

snow-white flowers. Large 5-year-old plants, 65 cts. each.

FORSYTHIA SUSPensa.*—Weeping habit; yellow flowers.

Verdisima.*—Lovely bright golden bell-shaped flowers.

HONEYSUCKLE TARTARIAN.*—Bush form. Fragrant

creamy-white flowers.

JASMINE (Jasmine) NUDIFLORUM.*—In bloom here

in February and March before foliage has appeared.

LILAC (Syringa), NEW PERSIAN.*—Grand new variety.

Flowers deep purple, exceedingly fragrant. Neat and compact growth. One of the finest Lilacs.

White.*—Rare and beautiful. Very sweet.

Purple.*—Forms immense heads.

Red.*—Sweetly perfumed, very desirable.

NEW HARDY ORANGE CITRUS TRIFOLIATE.*—A

remarkable novelty. A real hardy Orange-tree, with

delicious sweet orange blossoms, and bright red fruit.

PHILADELPHUS (Mock Orange) GRANDIFLORA.*—

Beautiful creamy-white fragrant flowers.

Dianthiflorus.*—Dwarf, double cream-colored flowers.

Golden-Leaved Syringa (Folius Aureis).*—Golden foliage.

POMEGRANATE.*—Native of Western Asia. Fine for vases,

pots or tubs. The fruit has been highly esteemed for ages,

frequent references being made to it in the Bible.

PRIVET (Ligustrum), California Privet.*—Remarkable

for the beauty of its foliage and its regular symmetrical

growth. Leaves are dark green, very glossy and wax-like.

We sell thousands of it annually for clumps and hedges.

TRICOLOR OR GOLDEN PRIVET.*—Deep green foliage,

variegated with golden yellow.

SPIRÆA AUREA.*—This is the well-known golden-leaved

Spiræa. White flowers.

Billardi.*—Beautiful rose-colored flowers.

Bumalda* (New).—Pink flowers; blooms all Summer.

Callosa Alba.*—A handsome new white flowering Spiræa.

Callosa Rubra* (New).—Bushy and compact; rosy-red.

Callosa Superba* (New).—Grows 3 to 5 feet; light red.

STYRAX JAPONICA.*—A fine new shrub from Japan.

Dwarf like a small tree. Flowers pure silvery white.

SPIRÆA JAPONICA (Astibe).—Hardy, herbaceous plant.

Produces panicles of feathery white flowers.

Prunifolia* (Bridal Wreath).—Pure white flowers; look like

little Daisies.

Reevesii.*—Grows 4 to 6 feet, blooming in May; white.

Thunbergii.*—One of the best. Blooms early in April.

Foliage fern-like; pure white flowers, borne in clusters.

Van Houttei.*—Extremely hardy. Fine compact grower;

large white flowers; looks like "a snow bank of bloom."

TAMARIX AFRICANA.*—Will grow in any situation.

Pretty pink flowers.

VIBURNUM (Snowball) OPULIS STERELIS.*—The fine

old Snowball shrub, known everywhere.

WEIGELA (Diervilla) CANDIDA.*—The best white.

Hortensis Nivia.*—Scarce; snow white flowers.

Lavellei.*—New and fine; deep red flowers.

Kosea.*—Free flowering; large deep rose flowers.

Variegated Leaf.*—Deep green foliage with margin of pure

white; flowers clear blush.

YUCCA FILAMENTOSA.*—A low growing evergreen plant,

almost tropical in appearance. Flower stalk is from 2 to 4

feet, and rises from the centre, crowned with hundreds of

bell-shaped flowers of perfect form; very fine.

Beautiful Hardy Climbing Vines.

Price, large plants, 15 cts. each, except where noted; larger size, 20 cts. each.

AMPELOPSIS VEITCHII.—The well-known Boston or Japanese Ivy.

Virginia.*—Rapid grower, adapted to any situation.

AKEBIA QUINATA.—Handsome foliage with chocolate colored flowers, very fragrant.

BIGNONIA GRANDIFLOA (Trumpet Creeper).—A fast grower, with large trumpet-shaped orange red flowers.

CLEMATIS JACKMANII, Alba, Anderson Henryi, Fairy Queen and The Gem. 60 cts. each.

HONEYSUCKLE, Chinese Sweet-scented.—White and yellow flowers, very fragrant.

Evergreen Sweet-scented.—Buff, yellow and white; very sweet. Blooms all through the season.

European Sweet-scented (Belgium).—Very fine.

Golden Leaved.—Bright, yellow foliage. Fragrant flowers.

New Halliana.—Evergreen and a constant bloomer, white and yellow flowers.

New Chapmanii.—Grows upright, very sweet and handsome.

New Heckrotti.—Distinct and beautiful; fragrant.

Red Coral.—Very vigorous. Bright red flowers.

Yellow Coral.—The only true Golden-yellow Honeysuckles.

ENGLISH IVY.—A splendid ever-green climber.

EUONYMUS, Variegated.—A most desirable ever-green climber, with silvery-like foliage.

Trailing.—Small variegated leaves; trailing habit.

Large Leaved.—Upright, fine large dark green foliage.

WISTARIA, New Chinese White.—Grows strong. Immense

clusters of pure white flowers. 30 cts. and 50 cts. each.

Chinese New Double Purple.—A magnificent variety.

70 cts. each.

Chinese Blue.—Rich violet blue flowers, exquisitely fragrant.

20 cts and 40 cts. each.

American Blue.—Vigorous, hardy and free blooming. 20

cts. each.

Magnifica.—Makes a growth of 30 to 40 feet in one season.

Flowers pale lilac. The finest Wistaria of its color ever

known. 20 cts. each.

VIRGINIA SILK VINE.—A rapid-growing twining climber;

blue flowers.

REDUCTION IN EXPRESS RATES.

Plants.—Completely boxed and packed so they may be handled without extra care 20 per cent. less than merchandise rate.

The above rate is made by the following Express Companies: Adams, American, National, Northern Pacific, Pacific, Southern, United States, Wells, Fargo & Co.

Cydonia and Ligustrum.

LARGE PLANTS FOR HEDGES, BY EXPRESS OR FREIGHT.

Cydonia (Japan Quince)—Snow White.—Beautiful large flowers; splendid Hedge Plants. 50 for \$6; \$10 per 100.

Ligustrum—California Privet.—Specially adapted for hedge planting; foliage beautiful. 50 for \$6; \$10 per 100.

The larger size Shrubs can be sent **ONLY BY EXPRESS OR FREIGHT** at purchaser's expense; the smaller by Mail, postpaid, at prices given.

Two Famous Specialties of Great Value for Fall Planting

THE FAMOUS

"JAPANESE WINEBERRY."

Splendid Plants at reduced prices.

Not owing its ascendancy in public favor to any accident, but having become the most popular of all fruits strictly on



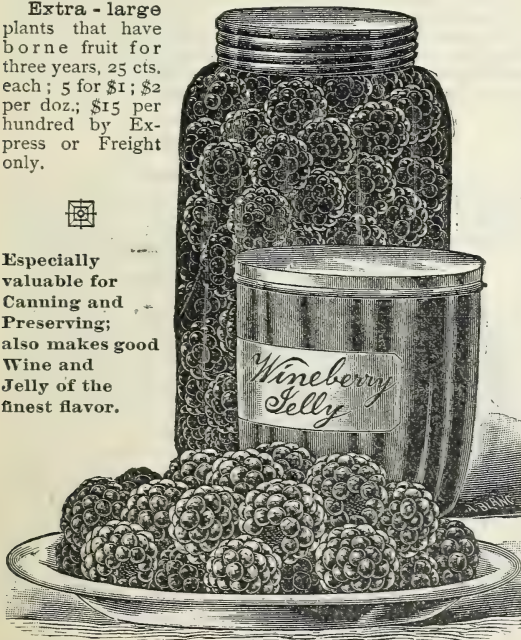
NEW JAPANESE WINEBERRY.

burr, which is formed by the calyx covering them entirely. When ripe the burr opens, exhibiting berries of the brightest light glossy scarlet color. The fruit is juicy and the flavor is delicate and luscious, distinct and superior to any berry known. It commences to ripen in July and continues to bear a long time. When well established the bushes are literally covered with luscious fruit. Especially valuable for canning and preserving; also makes good wine and jelly of the finest flavor.

PRICES.—We offer by Mail, postpaid, plants that will fruit next season, 15 cts. each; 4 for 50 cts.; 10 for \$1; \$8 per hundred.

Extra - large plants that have borne fruit for three years, 25 cts. each; 5 for \$1; \$2 per doz.; \$15 per hundred by Express or Freight only.

Especially valuable for Canning and Preserving; also makes good Wine and Jelly of the finest flavor.



its great merit, fruit lovers the world over know this wonderful plant only to speak of it in the most glowing terms. It belongs to the Raspberry family; is a strong, vigorous grower, attaining the usual height of a Raspberry, and is perfectly hardy everywhere. It stands alike the cold of Northern Winters and the heat of the Southern Summers without the slightest injury. The fruit is borne in large clusters, 75 to 100 berries on a bush. The berries are enclosed in a mossy

THE GREATEST SALE OF THE YEAR.

"HYDRANGEA PANICULATA GRANDIFLORA."

Thousands of it to be sold at Half Price.

Recognizing the sterling worth of this grandest of all hardy flowering Shrubs, we have for many years past made it a leading specialty, growing and selling annually upwards of 100,000 plants; as a result of our efforts it is to-day the most popular of all Shrubs for yard, lawn and cemetery planting; it is extensively used for hedge planting and for clumps and screens. The great reduction now made in the prices should still further its popularity. It readily attains a height of 5 to 7 feet; hardy in all localities, and needs no protection in Winter; blooms the first and every season in July and August, when other flowers are scarce, and continues in bloom for two or three months; the flowers are massive, cone shaped, often measuring ten inches in length, and have a pleasing variation of color, changing from the original pure white to pink, and finally a beautiful rich coppery red. When the flowers mature they can be cut and utilized as parlor ornaments, where they retain their natural beauty for an indefinite time.

Treatment.—No special treatment is required; the Hydrangea will grow and thrive in all ordinary situations. Plant in either Spring or Fall, and cut back each successive Spring at least one-half of the previous season's growth. Dig and manure. The finest flowers are borne on the new or young wood, and are largest and best when the plant has made a strong and vigorous growth.

THE VALUE OF THIS SHRUB MAKES THESE PRICES SOMETHING TO BE OBSERVED.

TEN CENTS EACH FOR

STRONG ONE-YEAR PLANTS, by Mail, postpaid; 6 for 50 cts.; 12 for \$1. By Express or Freight, 50 for \$3.50; \$6 per 100.

STRONG TWO-YEAR-OLD PLANTS by Express or Freight ONLY, 20 cts. each; 6 for \$1; 12 for \$1.75; 25 for \$3; \$10 per 100.

EXTRA-STRONG THREE TO FIVE-YEAR-OLD PLANTS, cut back, by Express or Freight ONLY, 50 cts. each; 5 for \$2.50; 10 for \$4.50; 50 for \$20; \$35 per 100.

THE DINGEE & CONARD CO.'S LAWN GRASS.

This standard mixture cannot be surpassed for quickly making a handsome turf sward that will stand our hot and dry Summers, presenting at all times a healthy appearance. Lawn Grass can be sown in Autumn with excellent results, and indeed many prefer sowing it at this time.

For laying down new lawns or plots, sow the seed at the rate of one quart to 300 square feet (15x20 feet), or five bushels to the acre; for renovating lawns half this quantity is sufficient. Full directions for the laying down and care of lawns is sent with each order.

Price by Mail, postpaid.—One quart, 30 cts.; 4 quarts, \$1.00.

We offer this seed in bulk by Express at \$1.25 per peck; one-half bushel, \$2.50; \$5.00 per bushel; 5 bushels for \$22.50.

The prices given include the Postage, which we pay.

The Choicest Plants For House Culture and Winter Blooming.

Knowing how desirable are a few choice pot plants for indoor culture, we have grown for the purpose such kinds as we know will produce good results. The collection is better this year than ever before, and we trust will meet the approbation of our many customers. Every one should possess some of these plants, as they are of the easiest culture and their gay flowers and bright foliage will add most charmingly to the home circle. Prices reduced.



FUCHSIA
SPECIOSA.

Fuchsia Speciosa.

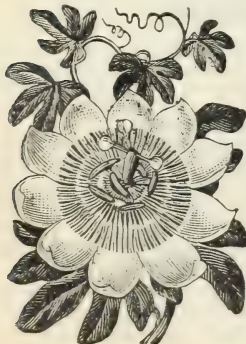
A GENUINE EVER-BLOOMING FUCHSIA.

Fine 3-inch pot plants, 10 cts. each.

Beyond doubt, everything considered, this splendid variety is the best and most satisfactory Fuchsia in cultivation. We have tested it in every way, and, while it is not as new as some other varieties, it is better. It is a **genuine ever-blooming** Fuchsia. It grows vigorously, compact and erect and blooms all the time. As a Winter-blooming pot plant there is not another plant better. The fine, large, star-shaped flowers are produced in the greatest profusion, commencing to bloom when the plants are hardly more than cuttings and continuing all the time. The flowers droop beautifully; they are large, elegantly shaped and of good substance; the calyx is rosy carmine and the corolla brilliant carmine, a lovely combination. This variety is of strong constitution and easily grown. We have prepared a fine stock of large, three-inch pot plants in bloom, and while they last will sell them at

10 cts. each; 3 for 25 cts.; 6 for 50 cts.; 12 for \$1.

Two or three plants will make a truly beautiful sight.



PASSIFLORA PFORDTII.

Passiflora Pfordtii.

(Passion Vine.)

This is a new variety, the most beautiful in the family, and the most satisfactory for general use. Unlike other **Passifloras**, the plants bloom when quite young, and are produced in the greatest profusion; they are of a rich shade of blue and of handsome form, of easy culture. It is an important addition to our list of Winter-blooming plants. 15 cts. each; 4 for 50 cts.

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Sansevieria Zealanica.

A BEAUTIFUL NEW DECORATIVE PLANT.

Too much cannot be said in favor of this as a decorative pot plant. There are none so strikingly beautiful in foliage and few, indeed, that will stand neglect so well as it. It will grow almost anywhere, where it is cool and shaded or equally where it is hot in the sunlight. It laughs at ill treatment and neglect, thriving without water; gas or dust does not effect it, but singularly beautiful as it is, ordinary care and attention will be rewarded. With age it becomes most imposing in effect. The leathery, sword-like leaves are thick and heavy; they grow erect and rigid, attaining in time a height of 4 to 6 feet. The dark green foliage is always clean, and is elegantly mottled and marked with bars of silvery gray. The immense feathery flower-spikes shoot up from the centre and emit a delightful fragrance. It is distinct and handsome. A description is inadequate to give an idea of its peculiar beauty. As a decorative plant there are none better or more satisfactory. Smaller plants can be had cheaper, but they are weak suckers. We offer potted plants, well foliaged, in two sizes, 20 cts. and 35 cts. each.



SANSEVIERIA.

Cape Jessamine.

(Gardenia Florida.)

The blooms are pure white and measure $2\frac{1}{2}$ inches across, and are delightfully fragrant; the foliage is large, bright and handsome. The flowers are extremely fashionable, and for this reason, together with its ease of culture, we feel sure of a lively demand for it; splendid for pot culture. Strong, well-rooted, blooming plants, 25 cts. each; 3 for 60 cts.

Solanum Rantonetti.

THE TRUE BLUE SOLANUM.

For this new Solanum we are indebted to our friend, Mr. Bruant, of France, a guarantee of its value. It is to be regretted that *S. Seaforthianum* should have been called Blue



SOLANUM RANTONETTI.

Solanum, when really a lavender color, while our plant is of the *very deepest and clearest blue*, which is brought out more vividly by a *yellow centre*. It is not a climber, but forms a neat little bush 2 feet high, which is covered with bloom during the entire Summer, and almost until Christmas. Sure to become popular as soon as known, being as easy to grow and bloom as a *Geranium*, in pots or in the garden. Fine plants, 20 cts. each; 3 for 50 cts.

New Abutilon—Souvenir de Bonn.

Of late introduction, and, without a doubt, the most beautiful of all the Abutilons. It is singularly beautiful and striking in appearance, and unequaled in decorative value. It is a rapid grower, and quickly makes a large bush, and produces great numbers of lovely flowers. The bright green leaves are distinctly edged with a pure white band, as shown in illustration. Flowers are borne on long stems and in color are golden yellow, beautifully veined with scarlet, and stand out well beyond the foliage, producing a pleasing contrast. It is exceedingly floriferous. Every one should possess a plant of it, as the foliage alone gives it a high value as a house plant if it never produced a flower. 15 cts. each; 4 for 50 cts.; 9 for \$1.

ABUTILON SOUVENIR DE BONN.

ABUTILON SOUVENIR DE BONN. 15 cts. each; 4 for 50 cts.; 9 for \$1.

THE SWORD FERN.*(Nephrolepis Exaltata.)*

This is a most graceful and beautiful Fern, splendid for basket culture. In well-grown specimens the fronds attain a length of 6 or 7 feet, but only 2 or 3 inches wide; like plumes, they arch over in a most charming fashion, making this a splendid ornamental plant for Winter culture. Fine, large, 3-inch pot plants, 25 cts. each; 5 for \$1.

BEGONIAS.**We offer Strong Plants, growing in 3-inch pots.**

White Dewdrop.—Since the introduction of this grand Begonia we have given it a thorough test, and have found it to be of a superior type, possessing many advantageous qualities, notably a free continuous bloomer and easily grown. It is an unusually fine Winter-blooming plant, producing great numbers of delicate white flowers during the Winter months; in the Spring it can be planted in the open ground, and will be a mass of bloom the entire Summer. 15 cts. each; 4 for 50 cts.

Hybrida Multiflora.—A lovely variety, producing a profusion of rosy pink flowers. Good vigorous grower and a valuable acquisition. 15 cts. each; 4 for 50 cts.

Metallica.—A distinct variety, of rare beauty, a good grower and free bloomer; leaves triangular; under side of leaf and stem hairy; the surface of a lustrous metallic or bronze color; veined darker; flowers white. 15 cts. each; 4 for 50 cts. 3 Begonias named above for 40 cts.

GERANIUM.

Mad. Salleri.—One of the most beautiful and unique of all Geraniums; a thrifty, healthy grower, rarely reaching a height of more than six inches; leaves very small, of a peculiar clear green, edged with pure white. Fine for bordering and edging. 15 cts. each; 2 for 25 cts.; 4 for 50 cts.

FUCHSIA PHENOMENAL.

The finest and freest blooming double large flowering Fuchsia in cultivation. The flowers are enormous, and are borne with great freedom. Short tubes and sepals of bright crimson color; corolla bright violet purple; very free and double. A splendid Winter-blooming Fuchsia and one that will give excellent satisfaction. Fine plants, 15c.; 4 for 50c.

THE MANETTIA VINE.

We have learned that the proper method to pursue, in order to get the most successful results from this lovely vine, is to allow the roots to become pot bound. This causes the plant to bloom profusely when it is quite small. Those who have seen this vine in bloom will coincide with us that there is not another prettier vine for window culture, and when grown to perfection is exceedingly beautiful. Beyond the one point given above, it thrives for all with small care; the lovely wreaths and garlands of brilliant scarlet and orange-colored flowers, interspersed with clean, bright, oblong foliage, presents a striking contrast. Strong plants, 15 cts. each; 4 for 50 cts.; 9 for \$1.

PELARGONIUM, LADY WASHINGTON.

This is a fine variety, being a vigorous grower and profuse bloomer, and of the easiest cultivation. The individual flowers are large and are marked in a most charming fashion; color lilac pink, with centre of pure carmine, which gives the flowers the appearance of the Phlox; very showy and satisfactory. Strong plants, 20 cts. each; 3 for 50 cts.

HOYA CARNOSA.*(Wax Plant.)*

This is an old favorite whose popularity, instead of diminishing, seems to steadily increase. The flowers are bluish white in color, resembling wax, and are borne profusely in large umbels. Foliage is thick and fleshy, very handsome in appearance. It is a quick grower and good bloomer. For window or parlor culture in Winter it is justly a most beautiful and valuable plant. Fine plants, 25 cts. each; 5 for \$1.

CISSUS DISCOLOR.

No vine in our collection is more entitled to be called superbly beautiful than this. It is an old favorite, but we doubt if many of our customers of the present time are acquainted with it. We cannot urge too strongly that all give it a trial. The foliage is large, handsomely mottled and marbled, the under side of which, together with the stems, is deep red, making a most effective and striking contrast. For hanging baskets it cannot be equaled. It is also splendid for pots and vases. Strong plants, 10c. each; 6 for 50c.; 12 for \$1.

NOVEL DWARF CHRYSANTHEMUMS.**Wonderfully quick blooming, producing hundreds of flowers.**

The originator of this remarkable strain of Chrysanthemums, Mr. Samuel Ryder, Seed Specialist, St. Alban's, England, an expert hybridizer from whom we secured these plants, says of them: "These new single Chrysanthemums form a really remarkable group; they are the result of several years' most careful selection and cross-fertilization. The best varieties of European and American origin were the basis, and the object aimed at was to produce new kinds, dwarfier in habit and more floriferous, with finer flowers and in greater variety. The results have been remarkable. The varieties are innumerable and the colors very fine; the habit is very dwarf, and so floriferous is the plant that four to five hundred flowers were produced on single plants last Autumn. The flowers are 4 to 6 inches across, light and graceful; they are single and semi-double, and are fragrant. The colors include white, blush, crimson, yellow, scarlet, pink, crape, etc., etc. I consider this group the most valuable in its way I ever saw. They are grand for grouping, and should make a sensation."

As a remarkable advance in these lovely Autumn flowers, every one should secure a few plants. They will make a veritable show this Winter. They bloom quickly and most profusely.

Fine plants, 20 cts. each; 3 for 50 cts.; 7 for \$1. Order as "Single Chrysanthemums."

OTHER CHRYSANTHEMUMS.

Owing to lack of space in this book we are unable to offer a list of Chrysanthemums. We would refer our customers to *Our New Guide, Spring Edition*, pages 54 to 57, wherein are listed close to one hundred of the latest and choicest varieties in cultivation. We are likely to have them in good supply this Autumn, and therefore solicit orders for them. Any varieties we are out of we will substitute others of equal value and merit, unless instructed to the contrary.

ANOMATHECA CRUENTA.*(Scarlet Freesia.)*

This lovely little gem is similar in bulb, foliage and habit to the Freesia—described on third cover page—but the flowers in brilliant contrast are brightest scarlet; the lower petals deeply marked; as it grows exactly like a Freesia, it can be planted with them, and if you want something really admirable, plant some bulbs of Anomatheca Cruenta with your Freesia Refracta Alba. As the true stock is limited, the price is necessarily high. 10 cts. each; 3 for 25 cts.

The prices given include the Postage, which we pay.

New Dwarf Ever-blooming Fuchsia

"Little Beauty."



NEW FUCHSIA, LITTLE BEAUTY.

Clerodendron Balfouri.

A BEAUTIFUL WINTER-BLOOMING VINE.

We can safely recommend this grand Clerodendron as one of the most satisfactory plants for window culture now known. It is a vigorous, rapid and healthy grower, and produces an abundance of blooms, which are bright crimson surrounded by pearly-white petals, producing a striking contrast against the dark-green foliage. It can be used for a fine specimen pot-plant, and can be grown to fine form by cutting off the ends of the growing shoots. A partially shaded position is conducive to rapid growth. Good strong plants from three-inch pots, 20 cts. each, postpaid; extra-large plants, by Express only, 40 cts. each.

Begonia Weltoniensis.

One of the best and freest blooming varieties. It is the beautiful old fashioned pink flowering Begonia, so dear to all who have ever grown it. We offer strong plants, 15 cts. each; 4 for 50 cts.

Swainsonia Alba.

A beautiful new ever-blooming plant for house culture, with pure white flowers, produced in sprays of from twelve to twenty flowers each, the individual blooms strongly resembling a Sweet Pea. As a decorative plant it cannot be superseded for the window or conservatory; we know of



SWAINSONIA ALBA.

nothing that will give as much satisfaction as the Swainsonia. Its easy culture, growing in almost any light position, its freedom of bloom, rarely ever being out of bloom, and the grace and beauty of the flower and entire plant, will undoubtedly make this one of the most popular plants in cultivation.

Price, fine, strong, three-inch pot plants, for immediate blooming, 20 cts. each; 3 for 50 cts.; 7 for \$1.

Palm, "Washingtonia Filifera."

This is conceded to be one of the best Palms for amateur culture. It stands ill-treatment with impunity, and thrives where other Palms would die. It is exceedingly ornamental, with elegant fan-shaped leaves, of rich dark leathery green, from which hang long thread-like filaments; it is a compact grower, needs no petting or coaxing to succeed. We offer strong, well rooted, 3-inch pot plants that are sure to grow. 20 cts. each; 3 for 50 cts.; 6 for \$1.



WASHINGTONIA FILIFERA PALM.

Impatiens Sultana.

A plant little known or grown, but entirely worthy of special attention. A genuine perpetual blooming variety, producing extremely bright scarlet flowers almost constantly all the year around. It is a profuse bloomer and of the easiest culture. In fact a plant of intrinsic value, and in many respects unexcelled for pot culture. 15 cts. each; 4 for 50 cts.



FANCY-LEAVED CALADIUMS.

Fancy-Leaved Caladiums.

Fancy-leaved Caladiums have splendid large leaves, beautifully spotted, margined and variegated with white, pink, scarlet and other bright colors. They are best suited for pot culture in house, conservatory or shaded situation. Growing plants, price, 20 cts. each; 3 for 50 cts.

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THE CHAMPION POT PLANT.

Otaheite Orange can be planted in Pots or Boxes at any time.
Will give perfect satisfaction.

The more we see of this unique Orange the better we like it. It is one of the real good things that we feel safe in recommending. We know it will please all. It is a dwarf reproduction of the genuine fruit-bearing Orange tree, the flower being identical. It flowers and fruits in pots, is exceedingly floriferous, blooming almost continuously. The fragrance of the flowers is simply delicious, and with one or two plants one can have a generous supply of highly prized and much coveted orange blossoms. It fruits immediately after flowering; the fruit measures about three inches in diameter, and, while not so strongly flavored as an ordinary orange, it is quite edible, the difference being but slight. E. J. Saul, in a very instructive article published in *Success with Flowers*, says that on a single plant, twenty inches high, one hundred and sixty-four buds were counted. It is, beyond question, one of the most satisfactory plants for pot culture in our collection. A large stock of fine plants enables us to sell them at special low prices. Prices—Strong, repotted plants, a year and a half old, 20 cts. each; 3 for 50 cts.; 7 for \$1.

Strobilanthes Dyerianus.



STROBILANTHES DYERIANUS.

A new house plant sent out by Messrs. F. Sander & Co., of England, at \$2 each, and to which was awarded the Gold Medal offered by the King of Belgium at the Ghent Exhibition. It forms a compact bush 18 inches high, with leaves 6 to 9 inches long, 3 or 4 inches wide, and of the most intense *metallic purple* color, shading into light rose with a light green margin, a combination unapproached by any other plant; it easily surpasses a Coleus or Begonia for a novel effect. The flowers are a lovely violet-blue. 15 cts. each; 4 for 50 cts.; 9 for \$1.

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NEW VIOLET "CALIFORNIA."

Sweet Violets.

Rich in modest beauty, famous for its enchanting fragrance, and truly "the sweetest flower that grows," the Violet keeps steadfastly in the front rank of popularity. With the last snows of Winter still about it, this gentle flower shyly appears from out its icy bed, heralding the coming of Spring. Sturdily it grows and sweetly it blooms, and all the world loves it. Violets are perfectly hardy, and when planted outdoors a shady situation should be selected; a light covering of leaves or litter will prove beneficial. For Winter blooming indoors, keep in cool situation and water freely. By observing these simple instructions, one can have a bountiful profusion of these dainty little flowers. New Violet "California" is the sensational flower of the period. *Don't miss it.*

"California."

The peer in size and productiveness of any Violet in cultivation; rich in color and of enchanting fragrance, it is away ahead of all other single blue varieties. The flowers are enormous, so large in fact that when full blown one of them will cover the disc of a silver dollar. In color it is a deep rich violet blue, that remains pure to the end. A single plant will bear hundreds of flowers during the blooming season. The flowers, as shown in the illustration, are borne aloft on long stems 10 to 14 inches in length. It is in every way a wonderful variety.

Price, strong pot plants, 15 cts. each; 4 for 50 cts.; 9 for \$1.

"Lady Hume Campbell."

Excels all other double varieties in strength, health, growth, and in the flowers which are exceedingly pretty, and of the daintiest and most refined form; perfectly double, with the most delightful Violet fragrance imaginable.

Argentiaflora.—A fine Russian variety; hardy and very satisfactory; very pretty and fragrant light-blue single flowers.

Miss Cleveland.—This is a very free-blooming variety of unusual merit; beautiful, large, clear blue flowers, distinct and finely formed; highly fragrant, moderately hardy.

Marie Louise.—Fine deep bluish purple; very double and sweet; plants quite hardy, and bloom as freely as Swanley White; equally desirable for pot culture and open ground.

New Double Russian.—A beautiful new double Violet; strong and healthy grower; perfectly hardy and free flowering, producing in the greatest abundance lovely deep and double flowers of delicious fragrance, borne on long stems.

Oleander Roseum Splendens.

The Old-fashioned, Sweet-scented Oleander.

In the South, this, the old-fashioned, sweet-scented Oleander, is well known and highly prized. It is with much pleasure that we offer it, because we know it will delight all with its profusion of double, pink flowers, which are borne in large heads and whose fragrance is deliciously sweet. As a house plant grown in pots, boxes, or tubs, it cannot be excelled. We offer strong plants, 25 cts. each; 5 for \$1.



Roses. FREE-BLOOMING KINDS FOR WINTER CULTURE.

Our great specialty is Roses. In Our New Guide, Spring Edition, are offered over five hundred varieties, comprising the choicest collection to be found in this country. From these we have selected the varieties described below, as the best, as regards freedom of bloom, variety of color, fragrance and adaptability to house culture. There are none better for Winter blooming. They are sure to give the utmost satisfaction. The plants have been specially prepared for the purpose; they are strong, stocky and thrifty, growing in 3-inch pots. When received plant in larger pots or boxes, water freely and give as much light and sunshine as possible.

The Queen (see cut).—Introduced by us in 1889. A continuous bloomer; color pure snowy white; exquisitely scented; one of the best. 20 cts. each; 3 for 50 cts.

Maman Cochet.—New. The best Tea Rose of its color. Exquisite color and form; blooms freely; color fleshy pink and silvery rose. Try it. 20 cts. each; 3 for 50 cts.

Etoile de Lyon.—Rich golden yellow; immense bloomer, very deep, rich and full; very sweet. 15c. each; 4 for 50c.

Bon Silene.—Noted for the great size and beauty of its buds; deep rose color, sometimes bright rosy crimson, occasionally pale light rose. 15 cts. each; 2 for 25 cts.

Marie Guillot.—A splendid Rose; color pure snow white, sometimes faintly tinged pale yellow; extra full and double; sweet tea scent. 15 cts. each; 2 for 25 cts.

Clothilde Soupert.—A remarkable Rose; none better. Flowers large, borne in clusters, free, double and deliciously scented. Color white, with centre flushed silvery rose. Blooms continuously. 15 cts. each; 2 for 25 cts.

American Beauty.—Grand and beautiful; flowers extra large, double and deliciously fragrant. Color rich rosy crimson. 25 cts. each; 2 for 40 cts.

Golden Gate.—A very fine Rose of great beauty; flowers extra large and double. Color rich creamy white, tinged with fine golden yellow; the broad petals are tinted and exquisitely bordered with clear rose. 20 cts. each; 3 for 50 cts.

Champion of the World.—Flowers large; color a lovely clear deep pink. 15 cts. each; 2 for 25 cts.

Marie Van Houtte.—Not surpassed by any of its color. Flowers large, double and delightfully fragrant; color pale canary yellow, passing to rich creamy white, shaded pale rose; very free blooming. 15 cts. each; 2 for 25 cts.

Queen's Scarlet.—Constant and profuse; rich velvety scarlet; brilliant and striking. 15 cts. each; 2 for 25 cts.

NOTICE.—We have seventy greenhouses, principally devoted to the culture of Roses. We invite correspondence from those desiring Roses not offered in this book. We carry over seven hundred varieties in stock, five hundred of which are offered in Our New Guide, Spring edition.

Special Offer.—The set of 11 beautiful Roses offered above, postpaid, for \$1.50.



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Winter-blooming Carnations.

Few other plants are more highly esteemed for Winter blooming than Carnations. Their certainty to bloom under pot culture and the profusion of exquisitely scented flowers they give during the entire Winter make them almost indispensable. The plants we offer are not small; they are large, field-grown plants that have been potted for two months, and should be grown in 5 or 6-inch pots when received. They can be sent by Mail, but being extremely heavy it is best to send them by Express, as they will be received in nicer condition. The plants we offer are strong and vigorous; will produce great numbers of flowers, and will commence blooming at once, continuing throughout the Winter.

Price, postpaid by Mail, 35 cts. each; set of 10 described below, postpaid, for \$3.00.

Price by Express, 25 cts. each; 10 for \$1.75.

Sweet Briar (Pink).—A distinct new variety; color clear pure pink; entirely distinct in color between DAYBREAK and WM. SCOTT. Has that elegant, refined fragrance found in the old-fashioned Sweet Briar Rose.

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Golden Gate (Best Yellow).—This is undoubtedly the finest pure yellow. Vigorous, healthy grower; blooms profusely all through the season; the color is pure golden yellow, without stripe or variation of any kind; The flowers are very full and beautifully fringed and fragrant.

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Mrs. Fisher (White).—A standard variety; flowers are large, finely constructed, purest white in color, and produced in wonderful profusion.

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Tidal Wave (Pink).—This is a very beautiful dwarf or low-growing variety, of a charming soft pink color; very productive and handsome; highly esteemed.

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A Woman's Triumph.

Of the easiest culture, free flowering, deliciously fragrant and very inexpensive, the Freesia is perhaps the most popular as well as most satisfactory of all the Fall and Winter blooming bulbs. Since the introduction of the "*Refracta Alba*" strain no improvement has been made in the Freesia, and now comes that part of the story which will cause the heart of every woman to beat with pride, because of the skillful ability shown in what has hitherto been considered the work of the opposite sex—scientific hybridization. Although many hybridizers have made the Freesia the subject of their skill, no satisfactory improvements resulted, and it remained for a bright little woman, Mrs. Lizzie Bunce, of California, to do what others have been

striving for years to do—secure new colors, and to increase the size of the flowers without sacrificing the exquisite fragrance for which the Freesia is famous. Undaunted faith in the ultimate result of her work, backed by skill and patient persistency in cross fertilization, finally won after many disappointments. Years of labor with a purpose was rewarded. When the tiny bulbs bloomed the extra-large, handsome flowers unfolded to the critical eye of the originator myriads of lovely tints and delicate colorings, too beautiful for description. From the white flower came forth, as if by magic, colors absolutely new in Freesias—pure creamy yellow, snow white, clouded with purple, reddish tints and many other color effects that go far beyond description. The fragrance, if possible, is sweeter than is found in the common Freesia; it breathes the delicious perfume of Hyacinth, Mignonette and Jessamine combined. The beautiful large flowers are of splendid substance and are produced in profusion, owing to vigor of the plant.

A Colored Plate Illustration of "Giant Flowering Freesias" is shown on next page.

Having secured the entire stock of this splendid new strain, we propose to sell it, while it holds out, at reasonable prices, so that all our customers may give it a trial. We look to this new mixture to increase the popularity of the Freesia. Almost every flower-lover plants Freesias, and for house culture no bulb gives more satisfaction. They are sure to grow and bloom in almost any situation. Since they are almost indispensable, why not get the benefit of the wonderful improvement made in them, and buy plentifully of "GIANT FLOWERING

ING FREESIAS." They will bring pleasure to every one who plants them. Try a half dozen bulbs at least. Their culture is extremely simple. One feature to observe is, *plant the bulbs early*, while their vitality is strong. Six to eight bulbs can be planted in a five-inch pot or pan; ordinary soil will do. If a little sandy, so much the better. Water sparingly for a while, and growth will soon commence. The plants of the "GIANT FLOWERING FREESIAS" bloom early and continue a long while.

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